



WHEREAS, Master Police Officer Chad Owens retired from the Gaston County Police Department on April 1, 2026, after serving 29 years with Gaston County; and,

WHEREAS, Master Police Officer Chad Owens has requested that he be awarded the service sidearm, Glock, Model 45 MOS, Serial Number BRTV387, and badge worn during his service with the Gaston County Police Department pursuant to NCGS 17F-20(a), and Board Resolution #259 dated October 27, 1983.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Gaston County Board of Commissioners that:

1. The badge worn by Master Police Officer Chad Owens and his service sidearm, Glock, Model 45 MOS, Serial Number BRTV387, be declared surplus equipment.
2. The badge worn by Master Police Officer Chad Owens be given to him as a remembrance of his service with the Gaston County Police Department.
3. The service sidearm, Glock, Model 45 MOS, Serial Number BRTV387, be permanently retired by the Gaston County Police Department and offered to Master Police Officer Chad Owens for a purchase price of \$1.00.
4. The Chief of the Gaston County Police Department is directed to award Master Police Officer Chad Owens with the service sidearm and badge as specified and worn by him during his service to Gaston County, in accordance with the North Carolina General Statutes and the policy of the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners expresses their sincere gratitude for the dedicated service of Master Police Officer Chad Owens and wishes him the best in his retirement.

Chad Brown, Chairman

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