



WHEREAS, Captain William S. Melton, Jr. retired from the Gaston County Police Department on December 1, 2016 after serving 27 years with Gaston County; and,

WHEREAS, Captain William S. Melton, Jr. has requested that he be awarded the service side arm, Heckler & Koch, Model HK-45, Serial Number HKU-023860 and badge worn during his service with the Gaston County Police Department pursuant to G.S. 20-187.2, 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 Captain Melton and his service side arm, Heckler & Koch, Model HK-45, Serial Number HKU-023860 be declared surplus equipment.
2. The badge worn by Captain Melton be given to him as a remembrance of his service with the Gaston County Police Department.
3. The service side arm, Heckler & Koch, Model HK-45, Serial Number HKU-023860 be permanently retired by the Gaston County Police Department and offered to Captain Melton for a purchase price of \$1.00.
4. The Chief of the Gaston County Police Department is directed to award Captain Melton with the service side arm 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 Police Captain William S. Melton, Jr. and wishes him the best in his retirement.

Chad Brown, Chairman

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