



WHEREAS, Master Police Officer Paul Edward Burgess retired from the Gaston County Police Department on July 1, 2023 after serving 28 years with Gaston County; and,

WHEREAS, Master Police Officer Paul Edward Burgess has requested that he be awarded the service side arm, Glock, Model 45MOS, Serial Number BRTV430 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 Officer Burgess and his service side arm, Glock, Model 45MOS, Serial Number BRTV430 be declared surplus equipment.
2. The badge worn by Officer Burgess be given to him as a remembrance of his service with the Gaston County Police Department.
3. The service side arm, Glock, Model 45MOS, Serial Number BRTV430 be permanently retired by the Gaston County Police Department and offered to Officer Burgess for a purchase price of \$1.00.
4. The Chief of the Gaston County Police Department is directed to award Officer Burgess 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 Master Police Officer Paul Edward Burgess and wishes him the best in his retirement.

Chad Brown, Chairman

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To be Adopted the 27th Day of July 2023