



- WHEREAS, the entire community can effect positive change with any volunteer action no matter how big or small; and,
- WHEREAS, volunteers can connect with local community service opportunities through hundreds of community service organizations; and,
- WHEREAS, millions of volunteers working in their communities utilize their time and talent daily to make a real difference in the lives of children, adults and the senior population; and,
- WHEREAS, during this week, all over the nation, service projects will be performed and volunteers recognized for their commitment to service; and,
- WHEREAS, the giving of oneself in service to another empowers the giver and the recipient; and,
- WHEREAS, experience teaches us that government by itself cannot solve all of our nation's social problems; and,
- WHEREAS, volunteers are vital to our future as a caring and productive county and nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners hereby recognizes **April 20 - 26, 2025** as **Volunteer Week** and celebrates this year's theme *"Shining a Light on the People and Causes that Inspire Us to Serve"* as an opportunity to encourage all citizens to volunteer on appointed boards and in their respective communities. By volunteering and recognizing those who serve, we can replace disconnection with understanding and compassion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners joins the Nation and State of North Carolina by recognizing all volunteers in the community and especially the members of the:

- Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee
- Animal Care and Enforcement Advisory Board
- CaroMont Health/Gaston Memorial Hospital Board of Directors
- Child Fatality Prevention Team
- Community Child Protection Team
- Council on Aging
- Economic Development Commission
- Emergency Medical Services Committee
- Environmental Review Advisory Board
- Equalization and Review Board
- Farmers Market Advisory Board
- Fireman's Relief Fund Trustees
- Gaston College Board of Trustees

- Gaston Community Action Board of Trustees
- Gaston County Board of Adjustments
- Gaston County Fire Commission
- Gaston County Housing Board
- Health and Human Services Board
- Historic Preservation Commission
- Home and Community Care Block Grant Advisory Committee
- Industrial Facilities & Pollution Control Financing Authority
- Jury Commission
- Juvenile Crime Prevention Council
- Library Board of Trustees
- Museum of Art & History Board
- Nursing Home Community Advisory Committee
- Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
- Partners Behavioral Health Management
- Personnel Advisory Board
- Planning Board
- Quality of Natural Resources Committee
- Region F Aging Advisory Committee
- SARA Local Planning Committee
- Tourism Development Advisory Board
- Transportation Advisory Board
- Workforce Development Board

for the many services they provide to the County Commission and the citizens of Gaston County.

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To be Adopted the 22nd Day of April 2025