



WHEREAS, Telecommunicator Joseph B. Smith retired from the Gaston County Police Department E-911 Communications on January 1, 2017; and,

WHEREAS, Telecommunicator Joseph B. Smith has served with this agency since June 28, 2000; and,

WHEREAS, when an emergency occurs, the prompt response of police officers, firefighters and paramedics is critical to the protection of life and the preservation of property; and,

WHEREAS, Public Safety Telecommunicators are the first and most critical first contact our citizens have with emergency services; and,

WHEREAS, Telecommunicator Joseph B. Smith has during his career displayed caring, compassion and professionalism in the performance of his duties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners expresses their sincere gratitude for the dedicated service of Telecommunicator

Joseph B. Smith

and wishes him the best in his retirement.

Chad Brown, Chairman

Allen R. Fraley

Tom Keigher

Donald J. Grant, Jr.

Tracy L. Philbeck

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Ronald E. Worley, Vice-Chairman

To be Adopted the 24th Day of January 2017