

WHEREAS, Sergeant James E. Knupp retired from the Gaston County Police on December 1, 2024 after serving 28 years with Gaston County; and,

WHEREAS, Sergeant James E. Knupp has requested that he be awarded the service side arm, Glock, Model 45, Serial Number BRTV336 and badge worn during his service with the Gaston County Police Department pursuant to G.S. 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 Sergeant Knupp and his service side arm, Glock, Model 45, Serial Number BRTV336 be declared surplus equipment.
- 2. The badge worn by Sergeant Knupp be given to him as a remembrance of his service with the Gaston County Police Department.
- 3. The service side arm, Glock, Model 45, Serial Number BRTV336 be permanently retired by the Gaston County Police Department and offered to Sergeant Knupp for a purchase price of \$1.00.
- 4. The Chief of the Gaston County Police Department is directed to award Sergeant Knupp 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 Sergeant James E. Knupp and wishes him the best in his retirement.

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