



- WHEREAS, the care and safety of our community's pets and other animals is paramount; and,
- WHEREAS, when an animal is in need of prompt response of a dedicated Animal Care and Enforcement Officer and caring personnel is needed; and,
- WHEREAS, the safety of our pets is dependent upon the quality and professionalism of our Animal Care and Enforcement personnel; and,
- WHEREAS, Animal Care and Enforcement personnel are often the first and most critical contact our citizens have with Animal Care and Enforcement services; and,
- WHEREAS, Animal Care and Enforcement personnel are a vital link for our community and lost pets, animals in need, or animals presenting a risk to the community; and,
- WHEREAS, our Animal Care and Enforcement personnel have contributed substantially to the proper care, control, and treatment of lost pets and other animals; and,
- WHEREAS, our Animal Care and Enforcement personnel have exhibited compassion, understanding, and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners proclaims April 12 – 18, 2026 as

ANIMAL CARE AND ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION WEEK

in Gaston County in honor of the diligence and professionalism Animal Care and Enforcement personnel have demonstrated in the care and custody of our community's pets and other animals.

Chad Brown, Chairman

Jim Bailey

Bob Hovis, Vice-Chairman

Cathy Cloninger

Tom Keigher

Allen R. Fraley

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To be Adopted the 28th Day of April 2026