



WHEREAS, each November 11 the people of the United States have the distinct privilege of honoring the Veterans of the United States Armed Forces, who have so bravely preserved the freedom which allows us to continue to live in the land of the free and the home of the brave; and,

WHEREAS, Veterans have fought valiantly, many lives have been lost, many live on today, and many more still make the same sacrifices as men and women in uniform have made for the past 254 years. Millions of American Veterans have defended our great Country in World Wars' I and II, Korea, Vietnam, and the Middle East. We pay tribute to those patriots who have risked their lives, to the families that support them and to the heroes no longer with us; and,

WHEREAS, on Veterans Day, 2017, we salute and honor veterans, past and current, and commemorate the legacy of service and sacrifice they have upheld in their steadfast defense of America's ideals and enduring principles.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners offers up its most bountiful gratitude and appreciation to Veterans of Gaston County and those throughout the country as it proclaims

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in Gaston County and encourages all citizens to seek out Veterans throughout the community and to recognize and thank them for their acts of bravery and their unselfish contributions in keeping America free for this generation and for generations to come. Let us remember our solemn obligations to our Veterans and recommit to upholding the founding principles of our great Country so that we may always be free.

Chad Brown, Chairman

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To be Adopted the 14th Day of November 2017