



- 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.

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Chad Brown, Chairman

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Jim Bailey

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Bob Hovis, Vice-Chairman

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To be Adopted the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of April 2026



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## Police Department Board Action

File #: 26-131

Commissioner Hovis - Police Department (Animal Care and Enforcement) - Proclamation - To Proclaim the Week of April 12-18, 2026 as Animal Care and Enforcement Appreciation Week

### STAFF CONTACT

S.M. Zill, Chief of Police - Gaston County Police Department - 704-866-3321

### BACKGROUND

Animal Care and Enforcement Appreciation Week is the second full week of April every year. This is the week that these hard working and dedicated Animal Care and Enforcement employees are honored by having the whole community say, "Thank You".

### POLICY IMPACT

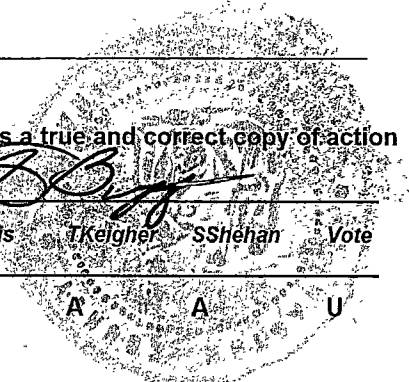
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### ATTACHMENTS

Proclamation

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I, Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the County Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of action taken by the Board of Commissioners as follows:



NO.	DATE	M1	M2	JBailey	CBrown	CCloninger	AFraley	BHovis	TKelgner	SShehan	Vote
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