



- WHEREAS, Mrs. Mamie Garvin Chisholm has been a teacher in Gaston County Schools for the past 50 years; and,
- WHEREAS, Mrs. Chisholm began teaching in Gaston County in 1968, the same year that the County schools, Gastonia city schools, and Cherryville city schools consolidated to form the unified Gaston County School System; and,
- WHEREAS, Mrs. Chisholm taught French at South Point High School for 32 years and was named the Gaston County Teacher of the Year twice – in 1979 and 1997; and,
- WHEREAS, following her tenure at South Point High School, Mrs. Chisholm served as the Librarian at Woodhill and Lingerfeldt Elementary Schools before returning to the classroom in 2007 as a French teacher at Ashbrook High School; and,
- WHEREAS, as an “original employee” of Gaston County Schools who is still teaching, Mrs. Chisholm was chosen to serve as the Honorary Grand Marshal for the “Big 50 Parade,” which was held on September 22, 2018 to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Gaston County Schools; and,
- WHEREAS, now, 50 years later, Mrs. Chisholm still has the passion for teaching and devotion to her students just as she did when she was first hired in Gaston County Schools on August 22, 1968.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners commends and congratulates

***Mrs. Mamie Chisholm***

on 50 years of teaching in Gaston County Schools and thanks her for her outstanding service, dedication, and unwavering commitment to excellence in education.

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