



WHEREAS, Environmental Health Program Supervisor, James “Doc” Thompson retired from Gaston County Department of Health and Human Services (Health Division) on December 31, 2018; and,

WHEREAS, Doc has served this agency since March 1989; and,

WHEREAS, Gaston County adopted a Private Well Ordinance in 1989 and with Doc’s leadership and passion in protecting our groundwater, Gaston County became one of the State’s leading authorities in local well water programs; and,

WHEREAS, Doc was acknowledged repeatedly by his peers throughout his career as a pioneer in our State’s well water program through his teachings and trainings of Environmental Health professionals in our great State; and,

WHEREAS, Doc served the Food and Lodging program with the same compassion and professionalism for the past 16+ years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners expresses their sincere gratitude for the dedicated service of

*James “Doc” Thompson*

and wishes him the best in his retirement.

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To be Adopted the 27<sup>th</sup> Day of August 2019