

RESOLUTION # \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF RETIRED K9 "SAMPSON" TO HIS HANDLER, DEPUTY STANLEY LEE MURRAY

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WHEREAS, Sampson, a 10 year old Black Labrador Retriever, has served in the Buncombe County Sheriff's Office's K-9 unit since 2014 and is ready to retire; and

WHEREAS, Buncombe County Sheriff's Office's Deputy Stanley Lee Murray has been Sampson's handler for approximately the last year of Sampson's service, having normal custody and control of Sampson during that time; and

WHEREAS, N.C. Gen. Stat. § 20-187.4 authorizes transfer ownership of retired service animals to the officer or employee who had normal custody and control of the service animal during the service animal's public service if that individual agrees to accept ownership, care, and custody of the service animal; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of having Sampson's ownership transferred to him, Deputy Murray has agreed to accept ownership, care, and custody of Sampson; and

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners finds that Sampson should be retired and that ownership, care, and custody should be transferred to Deputy Murray.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Buncombe as follows:

1. That it hereby authorizes the transfer of ownership of Sampson to Deputy Murray in consideration of Deputy Murray's agreement to accept ownership, care, and custody of Sampson.
2. That this resolution shall become effective upon its adoption.

This the 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019.

ATTEST

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE  
COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE

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Lamar Joyner, Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Brownie Newman, Chairman

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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County Attorney