Caldwell County, North Carolina

Commendation

honoring

Lieutenant Isaac Hannah

WHEREAS, *Caldwell County believes in the recognition of law enforcement officers for their heroic actions and outstanding efforts in service to the community. In keeping with this belief, Caldwell County is honoring NCWRC Lieutenant Isaac Hannah for his valor and lifesaving efforts; and*

WHEREAS, *On July 20, 2024, Lieutenant Isaac Hannah was patrolling the Wilson Creek Wild and Scenic River Wilderness Area and responded to a child in the roadway saying his parents were in the water drowning; and*

WHEREAS, *Lieutenant Isaac Hannah ran down to the river to assist Master Officer Jonathan Kiger and Sergeant Dustin Ethridge. Upon arriving he found Master Officer Kiger performing CPR on a drowning victim that he had pulled from the water. Lieutenant Hannah yelled out to a man in the water asking if there was anyone else and this is when he was made aware of an infant victim downstream; and*

WHEREAS, *Lieutenant Isaac Hannah pointed out the location of the infant and threw his life saving equipment to Master Officer Jonathan Kiger and Sergeant Ethridge who swam into the river for the child, as he continued the lifesaving efforts on the first victim; and*

WHEREAS, *Lieutenant Isaac Hannah while performing CPR observed that the third person in the water was in distress and trapped in a recirculating current against a steep slippery rock face; and*

WHEREAS, *Lieutenant Isaac Hannah prevented the loss of an additional life during this tragic incident by maintaining his situational awareness and redirecting the rescue efforts to pull the distressed man safely from the water.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, *Randy T. Church, Chairman of the Caldwell County Board of Commissioners, North Carolina, on behalf of the Board of Commissioners and the citizens of Caldwell County, do hereby commend NCWRC Lieutenant Isaac Hannah for his great courage and quick response in recognition to the severity of the situation and present him with the law enforcement awards for Valor and Life Saving.*

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, *I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal of Caldwell County to be affixed this twelfth day of August, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twenty-four.*