BURKE COUNTY
NORTH CAROLINA

RESOLUTION AWARDING COUNTY-ISSUED SERVICE SIDE ARM AND BADGE PURSUANT TO NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTE § 20-187.2 A

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Timothy Branch retired from the Burke County Sheriff's Office on September 29, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Timothy Branch was a dedicated law enforcement officer to the citizens of Burke County with the Valdese Police Department for 13 years and six (6) months and the Burke County Sheriff's Office for 11 years and one (1) month, for a total of 24 years and seven (7) months; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute § 20-187.2 (a) permits Burke County to donate the badge worn at no cost, and to sell service-issued side arms to retiring law enforcement officers, at a price determined by the Board of Commissioners; and

THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BURKE COUNTY RESOLVES THAT:

1. Lieutenant Timothy Branch's service weapon and badge be declared surplus property; and

2. The Sheriff of Burke County, Banks Hinceman, is authorized to present Lieutenant Timothy Branch, his Burke County Sheriff's Office issued badge at no cost, for his retirement; and

3. The Sheriff of Burke County, Banks Hinceman, is also authorized to sell a Glock G45 pistol, Serial Number CETE928, at a set price of $1.00 for his retirement.

Adopted this 20th day of January 2026.

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Jeffrey C. Brittain, Chairman
Burke Co. Board of Commissioners

Attest:

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Kay Honeycutt Draughn, CMC, NCMCC
Clerk to the Board