

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

**HENDERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: January 6, 2020

SUBJECT: Service Badge and Sidearm Request –
District Commander Benjamin Bryant

PRESENTER: Sheriff Lowell S. Griffin

ATTACHMENT(S): Yes
1. BOC Resolution

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

The Henderson County Sheriff's Office requests that the service badge and sidearm of District Commander Benjamin Bryant be given to him in recognition of his retirement from the Henderson County Sheriff's Office.

District Commander Benjamin Bryant joined the Henderson County Sheriff's Office as a benefit-eligible employee and served between July 16, 1990 through November 20, 1998 and returned to employment with the Henderson County Sheriff's Office as a benefit-eligible Jailer on March 3, 2000. District Commander Bryant has held the ranks of Telecommunicator, Jailer, Deputy, Corporal, Sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain and District Commander; and he has spent his adult life serving our community and agency. To honor him and show my gratitude, the Sheriff's Office intends to present his service badge and service sidearm to him.

Sheriff Lowell S. Griffin makes this request on behalf of the Henderson County Sheriff's Office pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 20-187.2(a).

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

The Board is requested to allow Sheriff Lowell S. Griffin and the Henderson County Sheriff's Office to present District Commander Benjamin Bryant with his service badge and sidearm at no charge.

SUGGESTED MOTION:

I move the Board allow Sheriff Lowell S. Griffin to present the service badge and sidearm as a token of appreciation to District Commander Benjamin Bryant.



Resolution Honoring District Commander Benjamin Bryant



For 28 Years of Law Enforcement Service and Awarding Him His Badge and Sidearm

WHEREAS, District Commander Benjamin Bryant joined the Henderson County Sheriff's Office as a benefit-eligible employee and served between July 16, 1990 through November 20, 1998 and returned to employment with the Henderson County Sheriff's Office as a benefit-eligible Jailer on March 3, 2000. District Commander Bryant has held the ranks of Telecommunicator, Jailer, Deputy, Corporal, Sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain and District Commander; and

WHEREAS, District Commander Bryant's service and dedication to the Henderson County Sheriff's Office and service, dedication and accomplishments in the field of law enforcement during his 28 years of service are hereby recognized and commended; and

WHEREAS, N.C.G.S. 20-187.2 provides that retiring officers of the Henderson County Sheriff's Office may receive, at the time of their retirement, the badge worn or carried by them during their service with Henderson County; and

WHEREAS, N.C.G.S. 20-187.2 further provides that the Henderson County Board of Commissioners may, in its discretion, award to a retiring officer the service sidearm of such retiring officer at a price determined by the Board of Commissioners, upon securing a permit as required by N.C.G.S. 14-402 et seq; and

WHEREAS, District Commander Bryant has served as a member of the Henderson County Sheriff's Office for a period of 28 years and retired from the Henderson County Sheriff's Office on November 22, 2019; and

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

1. Sheriff Lowell Griffin is hereby authorized in accordance with the provisions of N.C.G.S. 20-187.2 to transfer to District Commander Bryant the badge worn by him during his service with the Henderson County Sheriff's Office; and
2. Sheriff Griffin is hereby authorized in accordance with the provisions of N.C.G.S. 20-187.2 to transfer to District Commander Bryant his service sidearm at no cost to the officer and upon him securing a permit required by N.C.G.S. 14-402.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Henderson County Board of Commissioners recognizes and thanks District Commander Bryant for his dedicated service to Henderson County and its citizens.

Adopted this the 6th day of January 2020.

CHAIRMAN
HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

CLERK TO THE BOARD