

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

**HENDERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: September 20, 2023

SUBJECT: Service Badge and Sidearm Request – Master Deputy Steven Owen

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 Master Deputy Steven Owen be given to him in recognition of his retirement from the Henderson County Sheriff's Office.

Master Deputy Steven Owen began his career with the Henderson County Sheriff's Office October 26, 2009 and held the ranks of Detention Officer, Deputy, School Resource Officer, Senior Deputy, and Master Deputy for over 14 years in the Sheriff's Office. To honor him and show my gratitude, the Sheriff's Office intends to present him service badge and service sidearm to him.

Sheriff 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 Master Deputy Steven Owen 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 Master Deputy Steven Owen.

Resolution Honoring Master Deputy Steven Owen



For 25 Years of Law Enforcement Service and Awarding His Badge and Sidearm

WHEREAS, Officer Owen joined the Henderson County Sheriff's Office as a Deputy on October 26, 2009 and held the ranks of Detention Officer, Deputy, School Resource Officer, Senior Deputy and Master Deputy.

WHEREAS, Master Deputy Owen's service and dedication to the Henderson County Sheriff's Office and service, dedication and accomplishments in the field of law enforcement during his 14 total 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 the 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, Officer Owen has served as a member of the Henderson County Sheriff's Office for a period of more than 14 years and is retiring from the Henderson County Sheriff's Office on August 1, 2023, and

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

1. Sheriff Griffin is hereby authorized in accordance with the provisions of N.C.G.S. 20-187.2 to transfer to Officer Owen 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 Officer Owen his service sidearm at no cost to officer and upon his 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 Officer Owen for his dedicated service to the Henderson County and its citizens.

Adopted this the 20th day of September 2023.

CHAIRMAN
HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

CLERK TO THE BOARD