

**REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION**

**HENDERSON COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**MEETING DATE:** November 15, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Service Badge and Sidearm Request – Chief Deputy Vanesa Gilbert

**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 Chief Deputy Vanesa Gilbert be given to her in recognition of her retirement from the Henderson County Sheriff's Office.

Chief Deputy Vanesa Gilbert began her career with the Henderson County Sheriff's Office December 19, 1994 and held the ranks of Deputy, Corporal, Sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain- Detention and Chief Deputy for over 29 years in the Sheriff's Office. To honor her and show my gratitude, the Sheriff's Office intends to present her service badge and service sidearm to her.

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 Chief Deputy Vanesa Gilbert with her service badge and sidearm at no charge.

**SUGGESTED MOTION:**

*I move the Board adopt the Resolution and allow Sheriff Lowell S. Griffin to present the service badge and sidearm as a token of appreciation to Chief Deputy Vanesa Gilbert.*

# Resolution Honoring Chief Deputy Vanessa Gilbert



## For 29 Years of Law Enforcement Service and Awarding Her Badge and Sidearm

**WHEREAS**, Officer Gilbert joined the Henderson County Sheriff's Office as a Deputy on December 19, 1994 and held the ranks of Deputy, Corporal, Sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain-Detention and Chief Deputy.

**WHEREAS**, Chief Deputy Gilbert's service and dedication to the Henderson County Sheriff's Office and service, dedication and accomplishments in the field of law enforcement during her 29 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**, Chief Deputy Gilbert has served as a member of the Henderson County Sheriff's Office for a period of more than 29 years and is retiring from the Henderson County Sheriff's Office on October 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 Gilbert the badge worn by her during her 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 Gilbert her service sidearm at no cost to officer and upon her 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 Gilbert for her dedicated service to the Henderson County and its citizens.

Adopted this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 2023.

CHAIRMAN  
HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

CLERK TO THE BOARD