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Caswell County Disposition Of Retired Service Animal Policy

WHEREAS, Caswell County, North Carolina (the "County") owns service animals for the purposes of providing law enforcement, public safety and/or emergency services for the benefit of the residents of the County; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to provide for the disposition of retired service animals; and

WHEREAS, N.C. Gen. Stat. § 20-187.4, enacted by Session Law 2016-101, House Bill 550 of the General Assembly of North Carolina, authorizes the County to provide for the disposition of retired services animals as provided herein.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNTY ADOPTS THE FOLLOWING POLICY:

Section 1. Upon determination that any service animal is no longer fit or needed for public service, the County may transfer ownership of the animal at a price of One Dollar (\$1.00) upon any other terms and conditions as the County Manager, acting on behalf of the County, deems appropriate, to any of the following individuals, if that individual agrees to accept ownership, care, and custody of the service animal:

- (a) The officer or employee who had normal custody and control of the service animal during the service animal's public service to the County.
- (b) A surviving spouse, or in the event such officer or employee dies unsurvived by a spouse, surviving children of the officer or employee killed in the line of duty who had normal custody and control of the service animal during the service animal's public service to the County.
- (c) An organization or program dedicated to the assistance or support of service animals retired from public service.

Section 2. For purposes of this Policy, the term "Service animal" means any horse, dog, or other animal owned by the County that performs law enforcement, public safety, or emergency service functions.

Section 3. This Policy is effective October 1, 2016.

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Adopted by the Caswell County Board of Commissioners this 4th day of December, 2017.


Nathaniel Hall, Chairman

Attest:


Paula Seamster, Clerk to the Board



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