

# REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

## HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**MEETING DATE:** August 1, 2005

**SUBJECT:** Resolution Honoring the Service of Karen Smith

**ATTACHMENTS:** Draft Resolution

**SUMMARY OF REQUEST:**

Attached is a resolution honoring the service of Karen Smith to the citizens of Henderson County.

**COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION/ACTION REQUIRED:**

It is recommended that the resolution be adopted as presented. Once adopted, the resolution will be printed on decorative paper, signed by each Commissioner, and given to Karen to hang in her new office.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
HENDERSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

RESOLUTION HONORING THE SERVICE OF

***KAREN C. SMITH, AICP***

**WHO HAS FAITHFULLY AND DILIGENTLY SERVED** the citizens of Henderson County. It is with grateful and sincere appreciation for her loyalty and leadership over these years that the Board of Commissioners of Henderson County wishes to recognize **Ms. Smith's** contributions to the citizens of Henderson County;

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of Henderson County, North Carolina to recognize and honor the dedication of **Ms. Smith** in serving her community as a dedicated public servant and civic leader;

**WHEREAS**, Henderson County, throughout its history, has been privileged to be the personal and professional home to many individuals who have made us justifiably proud. Trust, integrity, responsibility, and concern for their fellow citizens and the community as a whole have guided their decisions and actions. **Ms. Smith** is truly one of these individuals;

**WHEREAS**, **Ms. Smith's** exemplary career serves as an example to all that choose to serve the public. She has and will continue to devote her time, energy, and talents to Henderson County, Western North Carolina, and the State of North Carolina serving with unfailing integrity, dignity, and thoughtfulness;

**WHEREAS**, **Ms. Smith's** numerous contributions have and will continue to improve our quality of life, our economic competitiveness, and our overall pride in community. The spirit and vitality of her ideas, outstanding professional performance, exemplary personal character, fair leadership, and sincere concern and respect for the people of Henderson County have been evident throughout her time with Henderson County;

**WHEREAS**, **Ms. Smith's** overriding goal has been to preserve, enhance, and protect the quality of life in Henderson County. Some of her numerous accomplishments and contributions, all of which are too lengthy to list, include: the development of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan (1993), the development of the County 2020 Comprehensive Plan (2004), the initiation of the development of a new Land Development Code, the development of the Howard Gap/Brookside Camp Road Rezoning Study, the development of a Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance (2005), assisting with the incorporation of Mills River (2003), the initiation of a Centralized Permitting System (2004), the creation of the Development and Enforcement Services Department (2005), the development of the Countywide Land Use Regulation Guide (1999), the East Flat Rock School Study, the implementation of the Open Use Zoning District (2001), the development of the Mills River/Fletcher Land Use Study (2005), the development of the US 25 North Land Use Plan (2005), numerous amendments to the County Zoning Ordinance, numerous amendments to the County Subdivision Ordinance, the development of a Manufactured Home Park Ordinance (1999), the development of a Telecommunication Tower Ordinance (1998), the development of a Watersupply Watershed Ordinance (1994), active involvement and leadership with Relay for Life, active involvement and leadership with Hendersonville Jaycees, and much, much more;

**WHEREAS**, Henderson County, Western North Carolina, and the State of North Carolina have benefited and will continue to benefit from the innovative and progressive leadership of **Ms. Smith**. She has not wavered in bringing answers and solutions to those she has served. Her demeanor and character have fostered the active engagement of citizens from all walks of life, institutions, businesses, volunteer organizations, and local governments throughout Western North Carolina and the State of North Carolina to help in meeting new challenges and opportunities. The cohesion she inspires highlights our strengths, combines our talents, and pools our resources. Her emotion and personal dedication to our community is innate and citizens will continue to benefit far beyond her official length of service with Henderson County;

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that **Ms. Karen C. Smith**, a dedicated public servant, has been, and will continue to be, a pillar of the Henderson County Community through her recognized leadership and the Henderson County Board of Commissioners adopt this Resolution in honor of her outstanding service and dedication to her fellow citizens and the same is by motion duly passed and recorded upon the Public Record of Henderson County, North Carolina.

**FURTHER**, this Award conveys Henderson County's best wishes for **Ms. Smith's** future professional career and personal happiness.

**ADOPTED** this the First day of August, Two Thousand Five.

Seal of  
Henderson County, North Carolina

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William L. Moyer, Chair

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Charles D. Messer, Vice Chair

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Larry R. Young, Commissioner

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C. Shannon Baldwin, Commissioner

Attest:

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Chuck W. McGrady, Commissioner

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Elizabeth W. Corn, Clerk to the Board