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**RESOLUTION ADOPTING A POLICY FOR MUTUAL ASSISTANCE WITH
OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES**

WHEREAS, pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes 160A-288, the governing body of a county may adopt appropriate guidelines for the purpose of mutual assistance with other municipal and county law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said laws, the law enforcement assistance to be rendered authorizes lending officers to work temporarily with officers of the requesting agencies, including in an undercover capacity, and lending equipment and supplies; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed to be in the best interests of the citizens of Haywood County to adopt reasonable policy and guidelines whereby reciprocal law enforcement assistance can be both rendered and obtained from other governmental jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, such reciprocal assistance is necessary for effective law enforcement for the protection of the citizens of Haywood County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

1. The Sheriff is hereby authorized to enter into mutual assistance arrangements with other municipal and county law enforcement agencies with such reasonable arrangements, terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between the respective heads of the law enforcement agencies, provided that the head of the requesting law enforcement agency makes such a request in writing.
2. The Sheriff is hereby authorized to permit officers of the Haywood County Sheriff's Office to work temporarily with officers of the requesting agencies as deemed advisable.
3. All such requests and authorizations shall be in accordance with North Carolina General Statute 160A-288, as applicable.
4. While working with a requesting agency, an officer shall have the same jurisdiction, power, rights, privileges and immunities (including those relating to the defense of civil actions and payment of judgments) as the officers of the requesting agency in addition to those the officer normally possesses.
5. While on duty with the requesting agency, an officer shall be subject to the lawful operational commands of the superior officers within the requesting agency. The officer, shall for personnel and administrative purposes, remain under control of the officer's own agency, including for the purposes of pay. An officer shall furthermore be entitled to worker's compensation and the same benefits to the extent as though he were functioning within the normal scope of the officer's duties.

Adopted this the 6th day of June, 2016.

Mark Swanger, Chairman
Haywood County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Ira Dove, Clerk to the Board
Haywood County