



Mayoral Proclamation

WHEREAS, The City of Gastonia continues to make significant strides to make our City a better place to live, work, and play; and

WHEREAS, The City of Gastonia has a long history and legacy of professional baseball, cultivating America's favorite past time, and sports legends; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brandon Bellamy, CEO of Velocity Companies, Inc. is the first African American to own a professional baseball club in the Atlantic League of Professional Baseball; and

WHEREAS, Velocity Companies, Inc. was also named as the management team for the ballpark in the City's FUSE District; and

WHEREAS, The Honey Hunters Baseball Team's players, management, and staff are fearless, resilient, and determined; and

WHEREAS, The Honey Hunters Baseball Team began its inaugural season on May 27, 2021; and

WHEREAS, The Honey Hunters Baseball Team aims to provide Gaston County with family-friendly entertainment and first-rate baseball for years to come.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Walker E. Reid, III, Mayor of the City of Gastonia, declare **May 27, 2021 as HONEY HUNTERS DAY** in the City of Gastonia.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Gastonia to be affixed, this the 27th day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-one.

Walker E. Reid III, Mayor

ATTEST:

Suzanne J. Gibbs, City Clerk