



Proclamation

WHEREAS, between April 8 and May 20, 2017 Gaston County Senior Games had 265 registered participants 50 years and over participate in the local games; and

WHEREAS, out of the 264 local county participants, 60 qualified and registered for the North Carolina Senior Games State Finals which were held in Raleigh and other surrounding regions between August 30 and October 26, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the State Finals are held every year in Raleigh, where participants compete against others in the same age category from different counties; and

WHEREAS, the Gaston County Senior Games sent 60 participants to represent Gaston County at the 2017 North Carolina Senior Games State Finals; and

WHEREAS, participants can compete in sporting events, SilverArts (literary, heritage and visual arts) and Performing Arts during State Finals and participants must prepare and practice year round to qualify for State Finals; and

WHEREAS, out of the 60 participants at State Finals, Gaston County won 54 medals, including 26 gold, 17 silver, and 11 bronze medals.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Gastonia, commends the following **NORTH CAROLINA SENIOR GAMES STATE FINAL PARTICIPANTS**:

Juanita Agan	Mary Ann Frelier	Yvette James	Dob Phillips
Janice Agan	Larry Furtick	Dan Jones	Wilfort Powell
Howard Baker	Jack Griffin	Tom Katsuleris	Bobby Price
Linda Barger	Sandra Hartness	Joyce Keyes	Sharon Ratchford
Lloyd Beaver	Hester Haynes	Lenwood Keyes	Mrugesh Raval
Jerry Bonham	Darrell Hefner	Leslie Lewis	Kristy Schaffert
Steven Brooks	Ann Heilig	Alma Lindsay	Richard Sides
Bruce Brown	Ann Helms	Roderick Lindsay	Sue Jane Sides
Berry Cauble	Ken Henderson	Terry Martin	Janice Summey
Marvin Chappell	June Hess	William McGinnis	John Tate
Keith Cloninger	Ken Hodges	Sonda Medlock	Bob Thornburg
Elaine Estes	Gary Hollifield	Lois Merritt	Lucinda Thornburg
Tony Falls	David Hostetler	Howard Neely	Dawn Will
Colin Freestone	Donald Huffstetler	Joe Norman	Joe Will
Jackie Freestone	Martha Hughes	Sherrill Norman	Ephraim Winkfield

And that the City Council of the City of Gastonia, commends the following **NATIONAL SENIOR GAMES FINAL PARTICIPANTS**:

Ann Helms
David Hostetler

Lois Merritt
Margaret Palmeri

Wilfort Powell
Mrugesh Raval

And congratulates them upon winning various medals and awards at the 2017 North Carolina Senior Games State Finals and for their dedication, hard work and continual support of the Senior Games and maintaining an active, healthy lifestyle.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 17th day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand eighteen.

Walker E. Reid, III, Mayor

Attest:

Sherry H. Dunaway, City Clerk