

CUMBERLAND COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION
A Proclamation by the Executive Committee

WHEREAS, Fire Chief Steven D. Blackburn is a dedicated and exceptional public servant who has loyally provided thirty-five (35) years of public service, having served the citizens of the Bonnie Doone Fire District, Fayetteville Fire Department, Fort Bragg Fire Department, Cumberland County, the Great State of North Carolina, and the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, Fire Chief Steven D. Blackburn began his fire service career in nineteen-hundred-seventy-seven (1977) and began his membership with the Cumberland County Fire Chiefs Association in nineteen-hundred-eighty-three (1983), and during his thirty-five (35) year enthusiastic and outstanding tenure, assisted with the furtherance of the association by serving on committees and leadership positions; and

WHEREAS, the Cumberland County Fire Chiefs Association recognizes his exceptional achievements throughout his long and extraordinary membership, career and volunteer service, and commends him for a job very well done; and

WHEREAS, Fire Chief Steven D. Blackburn a devoted husband, father and statesman is described by his contemporaries, friends and fellow chiefs as a caring true friend, positive, professional, helpful, understanding and always available; and

WHEREAS, Fire Chief Steven D. Blackburn's long serving term as Fire Chief ended on December 31, 2011; and he will sincerely be missed, both professionally and personally by all who have had the pleasure to have known him and the good fortune to work with him; and

WHEREAS, on behalf of the members of the Cumberland County Fire Chiefs Association, Cumberland County and the Great State of North Carolina, we would like to thank and honor Fire Chief Steven D. Blackburn for his many years of devoted and honorable public service to our Association, County, State and our Great Nation; and

WHEREAS, Fire Chief Steven D. Blackburn applied for and meets all the pre-requisites as outlined in Article 2, Section 3.4.1 of the Cumberland County Fire Chiefs Association By-Laws pertaining to Honorary Life Time Membership;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FREDDY L. JOHNSON SR., PRESIDENT OF THE CUMBERLAND COUNTY FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION, do hereby proclaim ALL THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF LIFE TIME MEMBERSHIP to and in honor of

Fire Chief Steven D. Blackburn

In Witness Thereof this 25th day of August 2014




FREDDY L. JOHNSON SR. CFO
Fire Chief / President


MARK A. MELVIN, CFO
Fire Chief / Secretary

