

- WHEREAS, Stephen John Wilbanks began his public service career with Hall County on October 31, 2004; and
- WHEREAS, during his employment with Hall County, Mr. Wilbanks has served in many capacities such as: Deputy Sheriff, Sergeant, Lieutenant, 1st Lieutenant and Captain; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Wilbanks was a dedicated member of the SWAT team, and on August 13, 2009, Mr. Wilbanks received the Sheriff's Commendation for a SWAT operation. His tactical skills, teamwork, and leadership abilities made him stand out as both an officer and SWAT commander; and
- WHEREAS, Sheriff Couch stated, "Captain Wilbanks was an exceptional employee and a genuinely kind person. He was the consummate professional who took great pride in performing his duties effectively. His work ethic, reliability and positive attitude made him a valued member of the Sheriff's Office. Stephen had a unique ability to connect with people and build strong relationships, making him someone everyone enjoyed working with. He set a high standard for what a law enforcement officer should be."; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Wilbanks retired on September 5, 2025, and plans on pursuing a new career outside of law enforcement; and
- WHEREAS, the Hall County Board of Commissioners deeply appreciates the services rendered to the citizens of Hall County by Mr. Wilbanks; and
- NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hall County Board of Commissioners does hereby pay tribute to

Stephen John Wilbanks

and recognizes him for his many accomplishments, contributions, and 20 years of dedicated service to Hall County and its citizens and extends to him their most sincere wishes for continued success in his future endeavors.

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