RESOLUTION NO. 2023-27

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CITY COUNCIL POLICY FOR RECOGNIZING APPOINTED VOLUNTEERS IN SERVICE TO THE CITY OF GRANTVILLE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, city volunteers share invaluable skills, work countless hours, days and in many instances years with little or no compensation to accomplish improvements for the city of Grantville ("City"); and

WHEREAS, city volunteers serve as ambassadors of goodwill while in training, representing the City or working tirelessly on programs and projects to better the quality of life for our community; and

WHEREAS, on many occasions it is necessary for city volunteers to leave family and safe environments in order to complete an assignment related to their City appointed tasks; and

WHEREAS, city volunteers are eager to expend energy working on difficult projects to improve services to benefit the community, not only donating time, but making personal monetary contributions and tangible donations to benefit the community; and

WHEREAS, city volunteers with outgoing, friendly personalities have been instrumental in promoting goodwill and improving the image of the City; and

WHEREAS, many council appointed volunteers, with ethical behavior and integrity have helped with problem solving and research and have rendered advice and recommendations for the City Council's approval to help move the City closer to a brighter future; and

WHEREAS, the City could not survive without the outstanding, invaluable services provided by these distinguished, dedicated volunteers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Grantville, Georgia, and it is hereby resolved as follows:

In order to acknowledge and express sincere appreciation for the invaluable contributions of volunteers to benefit the community the City the following process shall be implemented:

1. Effective in 2024 an annual Awards Ceremony will be held at the Freight Depot or other approved location during the City's Christmas Tree lighting holiday event.

- 2. At that ceremony all volunteers will be recognized, with the exception of persons who have vacated their volunteer position before the end of their term of office.
- 3. An invitation letter will be mailed to each volunteer who will be recognized at the awards ceremony.
- 4. Certificates will be presented to any volunteers who have serve less than a full term in their volunteer position.
- 5. Lapel pins will be presented to all volunteers who have served a full term in their volunteer position.
- 6. The chairperson of each City board, authority or committee shall submit a list of names of appointees who have had good attendance at meetings.
- 7. The City Manager shall submit a list of names of persons who have volunteered their time in service to City departments.
- 8. Councilmembers may recommend for recognition other volunteers who have made significant contributions to benefit the entire community.
- 9. The names of nominees for the annual awards ceremony shall be submitted to the City Clerk by the agenda item deadline for the council's November work session, so that honorees may be approved by the City Council at the November council meeting.

IT IS SO RESOLVED this _____ day of December, 2023.

Mayor

Attest:______ Clerk