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1746 Proclamation Declaring 2017 as "The Year of Community Watch for Granville County"

WHEREAS, the vitality of our County depends on how safe we keep our homes, neighborhoods, schools, workplaces, and communities; and

WHEREAS, crime and fear of crime destroy our trust in others and in civic institutions, threatening the community's health, prosperity, and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, people of all ages must be made aware of what they can do to prevent themselves and their families, neighbors, and coworkers from being harmed by crime; and

WHEREAS, people of all ages must be made aware of the dangers of crime and how they can protect themselves from becoming victims; and

WHEREAS, the personal injury, financial loss, and community deterioration resulting from crime are intolerable and require investment from the whole community; and

WHEREAS, crime prevention initiatives must include self-protection and security, but they must go beyond these to promote collaborative efforts to make neighborhoods safer for all ages and to develop positive opportunities for young people; and

WHEREAS, adults must invest time, resources, and policy support in effective prevention and intervention strategies for youth, and adults must make sure to engage feens in programs to drive crime from their communities; and

WHEREAS, effective crime prevention programs succeed because of partnerships with law enforcement, other government agencies, civic groups, schools, faith communities, businesses, and individuals as they help to nurture communal responsibility and instill pride:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Granville County Board of Commissioners and Mayors, do hereby declare 2017 as "The Year of Community Watch for Granville County" and urge all citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, and businesses to invest in the power of prevention and work together to make Granville County a safer, stronger, more caring community

Presented, this the 5th day of December 2016.

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