

FORSYTH COUNTY

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: MARCH 28, 2016 AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 5

**SUBJECT: RESOLUTION TO COMMEMORATE APRIL 5, 2016 AS MAYOR AND COUNTY
RECOGNITION DAY FOR NATIONAL SERVICE**

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS: Recommend Approval

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

See attached

ATTACHMENTS: YES NO

SIGNATURE: *J. Kendall Watts, Jr.* DATE: March 23, 2016
COUNTY MANAGER

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MAYOR AND COUNTY RECOGNITION DAY FOR NATIONAL SERVICE**

WHEREAS, the nation's counties are increasingly turning to national service and volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet county needs; and

WHEREAS, national service expands economic opportunity by creating more sustainable, resilient communities and providing education, career skills, and leadership abilities for those who serve; and

WHEREAS, national service participants increase the impact of the organizations they serve, both through their direct service and by managing millions of additional volunteers; and

WHEREAS, national service represents a unique public-private partnership that invests in community solutions and leverages non-federal resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on taxpayer dollars; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) administers a number of national service programs aimed at improving lives through service; and

WHEREAS, over 400 national service members serve Forsyth County residents through AmeriCorps VISTA, AmeriCorps State and National, and RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) programs; these volunteers serve year round to tackle tough problems and strengthen communities; and

WHEREAS, Mayor and County Recognition Day for National Service provides an opportunity for elected officials to recognize the positive impact of national service in our cities and counties, thank those who serve, and encourage more citizens to give back to their communities; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation for National and Community Service joins with the National Association of Counties (NACO) and county executives across the country to commemorate the Mayor and County Recognition Day for National Service on April 5, 2016;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners hereby recognizes April 5, 2016 as Mayor and County Recognition Day for National Service, and encourages residents to acknowledge the positive impacts of national service in our county, thank those who serve, and find ways to give back to their communities.

Adopted this 28th day of March 2016.