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**COMMISSIONER BARBARA BEATTY RECEIVES 20-YEAR SERVICE AWARD FROM NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

NEWTON, NC – Catawba County Commissioner Barbara Beatty was recognized with a long-term service award from the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) Saturday, Aug. 13 during the association's annual conference in Winston-Salem.

The NCACC recognizes commissioners for long-term service when they have served as a commissioner for 20 years, or will meet the 20-year mark in the calendar year of the conference. Beatty has been a Catawba County Commissioner since 1996.

Beatty has been an active member of NCACC for many years, serving on numerous steering committees including the organization's General Government Steering Committee and Board of Directors. She also served on the Credentials Committee at the NCACC's Business Session during the annual conference held last week.

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