

March 28, 2025

Re: Ann Schneider

Dear Members of the Nominating Committee,

I'm writing to offer my very strong support for Oak Ridge Town Councilwoman Ann Schneider's application to continue serving on the North Carolina League of Municipalities (NCLM) Board of Directors.

As a municipal leader myself, I'm familiar with the important work of the League and was fortunate to recently attend the Mayors Association meeting held in Chapel Hill. There, I saw firsthand the level of commitment and collaboration the League fosters among local leaders. I also became more familiar with Ann's significant contributions to the League—both through her past service on the Mayors Association Board and as a dedicated member of the League Board of Directors, where she has served as a Presidential Appointee.

I have known Ann for many years and had the privilege of working closely with her during her term as Mayor of Oak Ridge from 2019 to 2023. Since then, I've continued to collaborate with her in her current role as a councilmember, frequently seeking her guidance and input on key local and regional issues. Her depth of knowledge, steady leadership, and thoughtful approach to problem-solving have consistently been a guiding light to our efforts in Summerfield.

Ann is an outstanding local leader who has helped shape Oak Ridge's ambitious agenda over the past seven years. Beyond her service in Oak Ridge, she has proven to be a strong ambassador for the League, working with integrity, professionalism, and a deep sense of purpose. The League needs leaders like Ann—those who not only understand the challenges facing our towns and cities, but who also know how to build coalitions and foster meaningful collaboration across communities.

Turge you to include Ann on your recommended slate for the 2025 NCLM Board of Directors, either as the Second Vice President or as an At-Large member. I'm confident she will continue to make a meaningful and lasting impact in moving the League forward.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if I can provide any further insight into Ann's qualifications and leadership.

Best regards,

Mayor Tim Sessoms

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