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North Carolina League of Municipalities
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To the North Carolina League of Municipalities Board of Directors:

As Chairman of the Watauga County Board of Commissioners, it is my absolute pleasure to recommend Doug Matheson for appointment to serve on the North Carolina League of Municipalities Board of Directors. I have had the privilege of working with Doug for over six (6) years and more closely over the past four (4) years—first as a Commissioner elected in 2022 and now as Chairman, elected in 2024. Throughout this time, I have been continually impressed by his exceptional work ethic, dedication to public service, and unwavering commitment to citizens and employees.

Doug is a lifelong resident of Blowing Rock who has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to public service and community leadership. A devoted husband to Barbara, as well as a proud stepfather, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Doug's values are deeply rooted in family and community.

He retired as Fire Chief of Blowing Rock after 30 years of distinguished service, during which he exemplified leadership, integrity, and dedication to the safety and well-being of others. His experience in emergency services has given him a practical, solutions-oriented perspective that is invaluable in public service.

Since being sworn in to the Blowing Rock Town Council in December 2009, Doug has earned the continued trust of his community through multiple re-elections. His steady leadership and sound judgment have made him a respected voice in municipal governance. Doug's current service on the High Country Council of Governments, Watauga County Parks and Recreation, the Tax and Finance Committee for the North Carolina League of Municipalities, the Blowing Rock Tourism Development Authority, and the Executive Board for Blowing Rock Fire and Rescue further demonstrates his broad experience and commitment to regional collaboration.

His depth of experience, combined with his dedication to serving others, makes him exceptionally well-qualified to contribute meaningfully to the North Carolina League of Municipalities Board of Directors. I am confident he will represent municipalities across the state with professionalism, insight, and integrity.

In closing, based on the qualities and accomplishments outlined above, I, along with the full support of the Watauga County Board of Commissioners, proudly and unequivocally recommend Mr. Doug Matheson for nomination to the North Carolina League of Municipalities Board of Directors.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Braxton Eggers".

Braxton Eggers
Chairman