

DURHAM BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

*Resolution*

LOWELL LESESNE SILER

- WHEREAS,** Lowell L. Siler a native of Goldsboro, NC attended North Carolina Central University, where he obtained both his undergraduate degree and law degree; and
- WHEREAS,** following a period of legal work in state government and the private sector, he began his tenure with Durham County Government in October 1987, when he was hired as an Assistant County Attorney; and
- WHEREAS,** Siler quickly rose through the ranks of the County Attorney’s office, being promoted to Deputy County Attorney in December 1990, and in 2009, he became Durham County Government’s first African American County Attorney; and
- WHEREAS,** he has unselfishly shared his talents with others, developing an extensive list of professional affiliations which includes:
- Past President, Durham County Bar Association/14th Judicial District Bar Association
  - North Carolina Academy of Trial Lawyers, North Carolina Bar Association
  - Past President, George H. White Bar Association
  - Durham County Bar-Director, American Bar Association
  - Durham County Young Lawyers-Directors, Pennsylvania Bar Association
  - Member, Zoning, Planning and Land Use Council-North Carolina Bar Association; and
- WHEREAS,** throughout his years of service, Siler has continuously maintained a respectful, collegial relationship with his peers in county government and, in so doing, was elected to serve as President of the North Carolina County Attorneys Association from 2011-12; and
- WHEREAS,** Siler is also a proud member of Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, Alpha Tau Boule’ and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity; and
- WHEREAS,** in addition, Siler has devoted considerable time to various community and civic organizations and held board memberships with Legal Services, the Duke-Durham Partnership for Youth, and Durham Mentors for Youth; and
- WHEREAS,** Lowell’s personal and professional impact has been invaluable to the entire Durham County community, and he will be greatly missed by both employees and residents alike.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that we, the members of the Durham County Board of Commissioners, do hereby resolve to honor

LOWELL LESESNE SILER

For his dedicated, insightful, and stellar service to Durham County Government. We call upon all citizens of Durham County to recognize this innovative, gifted, and dedicated County Attorney who made a difference for the people of Durham County.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that we wish him much joy and happiness as he retires and commences a new journey in his life.

This the 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 2022.

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Brenda Howerton, Chair

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Wendy Jacobs, Vice-Chair

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Nida Allam, Commissioner

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Nimasheena Burns, Commissioner

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Heidi Carter, Commissioner

