



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the profession of Electric Lineman requires passion, dedication and is steeped in tradition; and

WHEREAS, linemen work 365 days a year in inclement weather and dangerous conditions to build, maintain and repair the electric infrastructure, often putting their lives on the line to keep the power on; and

WHEREAS, linemen also are often the first responders during storms and other catastrophic events, working to make the scene safe for other first responders; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gastonia joins other communities across the nation in recognizing and celebrating the profession of Electric Lineman and therefore we honor our Electric Division personnel for exemplary service to the City.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Richard Franks, Mayor and the City Council of the City of Gastonia, North Carolina do hereby proclaim **April 18, 2024** as:

NATIONAL LINEMAN APPRECIATION DAY

and call upon all citizens and businesses to acknowledge and thank the linemen you see for the selfless and dangerous work they perform every day to keep our power on and the public safe.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have, hereunto, set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Gastonia, North Carolina, to be affixed this, the 16th day of April, in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-four.

Richard Franks, Mayor

ATTEST:

Suzanne J. Gibbs, City Clerk