

RESOLUTION OF RECOGNITION

FOR SGT. SHAWN APPEGATE

WHEREAS, Rutherford County Sheriff's Office Sgt. Shawn Applegate serves with the Interstate Crime Enforcement Unit; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Applegate stopped a driver for a traffic violation on January 8, 2013 on Interstate 24 where his K-9 partner, Jett, alerted him to the presence of marijuana; and

WHEREAS, during his investigation, Sgt. Applegate recovered \$300,000 worth of stolen jewelry and the driver was charged with aggravated robbery; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. Applegate testified in the driver's trial in California, resulting in the driver's conviction and a 35 year prison sentence; and

WHEREAS, DNA testing in California led to the driver being indicted in July 2014 for a double murder that occurred on Christmas Eve 1998 in Minneapolis, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, Minneapolis Police commended Sgt. Applegate for solving this double murder and we recognize him for his dedication and commitment which made this arrest and conviction possible, as well as an indictment for an unsolved sixteen year old double murder.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners that we extend this Resolution of Recognition to Sgt. Shawn Applegate for his service and commitment to excellence as an employee of the Rutherford County Sheriff's Department.

