

## BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION BALDWIN COUNTY, ALABAMA

## RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING MS. LYNN HASTIE BOZONE ON BEING SELECTED AS "CITIZEN OF THE YEAR" BY THE STOCKTON HERITAGE ASSOCIATION.

WHEREAS, Ms. Lynn Hastie Bozone is a native of Stockton, Alabama, and can trace her ancestry to the 18<sup>th</sup> century in Baldwin County and to 1811 in Stockton, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bozone is a devoted wife, mother and grandmother as well as a successful local entrepreneur, published author and painter; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bozone has donated her time in service to the citizens of Baldwin County through the many positions she has held including President of the Stockton Heritage Association, Chapter Regent of the Fort Mims Daughters of the American Revolution, Committee Chair for the Stockton Wild Game Cook-off as well as being a board member of the Baldwin County Historic Development Commission, the Stockton Memorial Cemetery, Fort Mims Restoration Association and the Stockton Civic Club; and

WHEREAS, for the past five years, Ms. Bozone has organized the annual "Stockton Sawmill Days" event, which celebrates Baldwin County as the site of the first sawmill in Alabama and attracts thousands of people to North Baldwin County each year; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bozone lead the successful effort to designate Stockton, Alabama, an "Alabama Landmark District" by an Amendment to the Alabama Constitution, making Stockton the first and only "Landmark District" in the State of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bozone has helped organize many fundraising efforts to fund the programming and operation of the Stockton Heritage Museum, which receives no funding from local, County or State agencies and depends solely on donations and fundraising efforts to operate; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bozone has worked with the descendants of an early Stockton family, the Aikin family, to donate 13 acres of land to the Stockton Heritage Association for future development into a nature preserve or park for the people of North Baldwin County; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bozone is the creator and administrator of several webpages which promote and provide information on Stockton and North Alabama including StocktonAla.com, "Community of Stockton" Facebook page, "Stockton Sawmill Days" website and Facebook page; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bozone is the first recipient of the "Lynn Hastie Bozone Citizen of the Year" award, named in her honor, and presented by the Stockton Heritage Association for her outstanding service to promote, protect and preserve the unique heritage and culture of the Stockton Landmark District and North Baldwin County; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bozone is indeed deserving of public recognition for her many noteworthy accomplishments and for her selfless devotion to the preservation of Baldwin County; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION, IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, that the Baldwin County Commission commends and congratulates Ms. Bozone on the occasion of being named the first recipient of the "Lynn Hastie Bozone Citizen of the Year Award;" and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution, recorded in the official minutes of this honorable county governing body and embodied as Resolution #2017-136 of the Baldwin County Commission, be conveyed to Ms. Bozone as a small token of appreciation on behalf of the citizens of Baldwin County, Alabama.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of the County of Baldwin to be affixed at the County Seat in Bay Minette, Alabama, on this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of September 2017.

Chairman

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Commissioner Frank Burt, Jr.

Vice Chairman

Commissioner J. Tucker Dorsey

Commissioner Charles F. Gruber