

Resolution



Town of Carolina Beach
Town Council

RESOLUTION NO. 26-2350

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF CAROLINA BEACH RETIRING POLICE CANINE DEMI AND AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP TO CORPORAL CROFTON STEPHENSON

WHEREAS, Canine Demi, a German Shepherd, has faithfully served the Town of Carolina Beach as a single-purpose narcotics detection canine with the Carolina Beach Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Canine Demi has been assigned to Corporal Crofton Stephenson, who has served as her handler and partner during her tenure; and

WHEREAS, due to an ongoing medical condition, and in consideration of her age and current health status, Canine Demi is no longer able to perform the duties required of an operational police canine; and

WHEREAS, Corporal Crofton Stephenson has developed a strong bond with Canine Demi and has expressed his desire to assume ownership upon her retirement, agreeing to accept full responsibility for her care, maintenance, and all future needs; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize Canine Demi's faithful and dedicated service to the Town of Carolina Beach and the citizens it serves;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Carolina Beach:

1. That Canine Demi is hereby officially retired from service with the Carolina Beach Police Department effective June 17, 2026.
2. That ownership and custody of Canine Demi are hereby transferred to Corporal Crofton Stephenson, who shall assume all responsibility for her care and well-being.
3. That the Town Council expresses its sincere gratitude and appreciation for Canine Demi's dedicated and loyal service to the community and wishes her a comfortable and well-deserved retirement.

ADOPTED this 14th day of July, 2026.

TOWN OF CAROLINA BEACH

Albert L. Barbee, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kimberlee Ward, Town Clerk