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Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individual to the Arboretum Board of Directors: Dr. Darin J. Waters of Asheville as a member at-large. Waters is an Assistant Professor of History and Special Assistant to the Chancellor for Community Outreach and Engagement at the University of North Carolina at Asheville. Waters has organized three major conferences surrounding the history of African Americans in Western North Carolina and Southern Appalachia.

Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individual to the North Carolina Commission for the Blind: Denise Lyons Puryear of Roxboro as a community rehab program service provider representative. Puryear works for OE Enterprises, Inc. as a site director, community service manager, placement services manager, team coordinator, and an occupational training specialist. Puryear has over 30 years of experience in the fields of intellectual and developmental disabilities, mental health, and substance service.

Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individuals to the Governor's Crime Commission:

Sherri Allgood of Troy as a municipal government official. Allgood became the first African American mayor of Troy, NC in 2018. Allgood is a retired middle school teacher and now focuses her time as a student advocate meeting with school districts, teachers, and parents to work towards equal education and treatment for all students in school. She co-founded True Worship Ministries in Biscoe with her husband.

John W. Letteney of Apex as a municipal government official. Letteney was appointed Chief of Police for the Apex Police Department in 2012. Letteney is the 3rd Vice President of the International Association of Chiefs of Police. In 2020, Letteney was appointed to the Respect for Law Enforcement and the Rule of Law Working Group of the President's Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice.

Sheriff Charles Blackwood of Chapel Hill vice chair. Blackwood is the Sheriff of the Orange County Sheriff's Office. Blackwood rose through the ranks of the Orange County Sheriff's Office being promoted to Corporal, Sergeant and then Lieutenant of the Patrol Division before he was promoted to Major of Operations in 2010.

Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individuals to the Council on Developmental Disabilities: William T. Miller of Lexington as a person with a developmental

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disability. Miller is a lawyer who focuses on estate planning, social security, and disability insurance. Miller previously served as the Executive Director of the North Carolina Statewide Independent Living Council in Raleigh. Ronnie D. Marshall of Raleigh as a person with a developmental disability. Marshall is a community self-advocate, serving on multiple boards and committees such as the North Carolina Empowerment Network and Arts Access Incorporated.

Nessie P. Siler of Manteo as a person with a developmental disability. Siler is a member of the Dare County North Carolina Transportation Board. She previously served with the North Carolina Medicaid Long Term Services and Supports Stakeholder Engagement Group and the North Carolina Emergency Preparedness Initiative for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.

Bryan Dooley of Lewisville as a person with a developmental disability or parent/guardian of child with a developmental disability or immediate relative/guardian of adult with mentally impairing developmental disability. Dooley is a member of the North Carolina Empowerment Network and past chair. He is also the Chair of the Board of Directors for Disability Rights and the social media cultivator of the Liipfert Law Group.

Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individual to the North Carolina Council on Educational Services for Exceptional Children: Matthew M. Potter of Pfafftown as an individual with a disability. Potter is a consultant for the Horizons Residential Care Workforce Development Grant, Community Bridges Consulting Group, and the Wake Forest University Athletic Department. Potter is also a member of the CenterPoint Human Services I/DD Advisory Committee and the CenterPoint Human Services Board of Directors.

Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individual to the Fayetteville Technical Community College Board of Trustees: William "Lockett" Tally of Fayetteville as a member at-large. Tally is a managing partner at Tally and Tally, Attorneys and Counselors at Law PLLC. Tally is a member of the North Carolina Academy of Trial Lawyers and the Methodist University Board of Visitors. Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individual to the Haywood Community College Board of Trustees:

Tammy H. McDowell of Canton as a member at-large. McDowell is the assistant director of

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programming at Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center. McDowell has also been the chair of the Haywood MLK Committee for more than ten years.

Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individual to the North Carolina Home Inspector Licensure Board:

Derrick M. Johnson of Charlotte as a home inspector. Johnson is a building and residential consultant and inspector with Pride Property Inspections. Johnson is a member of the Charlotte Mecklenburg Housing Partnership and the Charlotte Apartment Association.

Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individual to the Lenoir Community College Board of Trustees:

Nicholas E. Harvey, Sr. of Kinston as a member at-large. Harvey has practiced criminal and traffic law at his private law practice in Kinston for more than 30 years.

Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individual to the North Carolina State Lottery Commission: Brad T. Adcock of Cary as chair. Adcock retired in 2014 as the Vice President, Government Affairs for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of NC. He came out of retirement as served as the Legislative Director for the Governor's Office from 2017-2018. Adcock served on the UNC Board of Governors for 12 years and the Appalachian State University Board of Trustees. Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individual to the North Carolina Medical Care Commission:

Dr. Anita L. Jackson of Raleigh as a member at-large. Jackson currently serves as the Medical and Laboratory Director of Durham County Department of Public Health. She also serves as the Commissioner of North Carolina Health and Wellness Trust Fund. In 2018 Jackson was named Woman of Year by the Raleigh Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Incorporated.

Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individuals to the North Carolina Museum of Art Board of Trustees: Tim Gold of Conover as a 10th congressional district representative. Gold is the founder of the National LGBT Museum. Gold formerly worked as project manager for the Smithsonian's National Postal Museum. He and his husband, Mitchell, own and operate Tim Gold Dog Training. Jacquie Gilliam

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of Greensboro as a 13th congressional district representative. Gilliam has worked as a philanthropy consultant for over 25 years. She serves as co-chair of the City of Greensboro Task Force on arts and sustainability. She also serves on the NC Aquarium Society, ArtsGreensboro, Weatherspoon Arts Foundation and United Way of Greater Greensboro.

Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individual to the Pamlico Community College Board of Trustees: Vickie Moseley Jones of Oriental as a member at-large. Jones retired in 2016 after 28 years as the executive director of human resources and chief diversity officer for Craven Community College. Jones has been a poll worker for the Pamlico County Board of Elections for 10 years. Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individual to the Permanency Innovation Initiative Oversight Committee:

Andrea R. Smith of West End as a representative from Youth Villages. Smith is the State Director of Community Based Programs at Youth Villages. Smith is a member of the National Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and the National Board of Certified Counselors, Inc.

Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individual to the Sampson Community College Board of Trustees:

Vivian Maynor of Clinton as a member at-large. Maynor is a retired teacher, principal, and curriculum specialist. Maynor is a current member of the North Carolina Indian Housing Authority and secretary of the Free Will Holiness Conference.

Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individual to the North Carolina Sedimentation Control Commission: Emily Sutton of Bynum as a non-governmental conservationist. Sutton is the Haw Riverkeeper for the Haw River Assembly. Sutton conducts research on the sediment control issues in the Haw watershed. Prior to her role as riverkeeper, Sutton was the Citizen Science Project Coordinator for the Haw River Assembly.

Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individual to the North Carolina Board of Science, Technology, and Innovation: Margaret N. Rosenfeld of Raleigh as a

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member at-large. Rosenfeld is a partner at K&L Gates where she has worked in corporate and security law, both within the United State and internationally, for more than twenty years. Rosenfeld has served in a voluntary capacity as the Honorary German Consul for Eastern North Carolina where she represents the interest of German companies in North Carolina and North Carolina companies in Germany. Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individuals to the Statewide Independent Living Council:

Jennifer M. Pleasants of Raleigh as a Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Representative. Pleasants is an Independent Living Program Specialist for the North Carolina Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services.

Talley Wells of Raleigh as a Council on Developmental Disabilities Representative. Wells is the Executive Director of the North Carolina Council on Developmental Disabilities. Wells was most recently the Executive Director for the Georgia Appleseed Center for Law and Justice in Atlanta, Georgia.

Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individual to the State Education Assistance Authority: Jamie A. Applequist of Garner as a member with expertise in finance. Applequist is the Chief Administrative Officer for the State Employees Credit Union where he works with the branch network, contact centers and property management. Applequist served in the United States Air Force Reserves for twenty years, retiring in 2012. Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individuals to the Social Work Certification and Licensure Board:

Ebon Freeman-James of Fayetteville as a LCSW. Freeman-James is a retired clinical social worker for Capital Caring. Freeman-James currently volunteers with the Girl Scouts, the United States Air Force Reserve, the UNC Chapel Hill School of Social Work Board of Advisors, and the Camp Corral Board of Directors.

Carolyn G. Craddock of Wilmington as a LCSW and educator. Craddock is a lecturer and assistant field coordinator at the University of North Carolina in Wilmington. Craddock serves as the President of the National Association of Social Workers in North Carolina.

Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individual to the North Carolina Travel and

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Tourism Board: Steven R. Pasquantonio of Surf City as a public member. Pasquantonio is the owner of Daddy Mac's Beach Grille on Topsail Island and is a member of Green Ke Kai Properties. Pasquantonio is also a member of the Town of Surf City Planning Board. Gov. Cooper has appointed the following individual to the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Board: Dr. Allen L. Cannedy of Hillsborough as a Licensed Veterinarian. Cannedy is the Director of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs at North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine. Cannedy has been awarded numerous honors including the Iverson Bell Award, the UPCEA South Continuing Education Faculty Award, and the North Carolina State University Chancellors Creating Community Award.

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