

## **RESOLUTION HONORING JEFF EASON**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Blowing Rock Board of Commissioners wish to honor former Blowing Rocket Editor Jeff Eason; and

**WHEREAS**, Jeff Eason became a resident of Watauga County in 1978 and adopted the High Country as his home; and

**WHEREAS**, after graduating from Watauga High School Jeff attended and graduated from UNC-Chapel Hill, earning a degree in Journalism; and

**WHEREAS**, Jeff was a man of many passions and an accomplished musician, having promoted and attended every Merlefest since its inception; and

**WHEREAS**, Jeff was, for 25 years, employed by the Mountain Times, Watauga Democrat and the Blowing Rocket; and

**WHEREAS**, Jeff was a prolific writer and award-winning journalist whose Sweet Tea and Lemon column was read and loved by folks near and far; and

**WHEREAS**, Jeff reluctantly assumed the role as Editor of the Blowing Rocket, after the passing of Jerry Burns, reluctant only because he was not sure he could live up to Jerry's legacy; and

**WHEREAS**, Jeff remained as Editor of the Blowing Rocket until his untimely passing and in the process, became a beloved member of our Town, again leaving another legacy to be followed.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Town of Blowing Rock Mayor and Board of Commissioners, Town Employees past and present, as well as the Citizens of the Town wish to honor and remember Jeff Eason this 10<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018.

Charlie Sellers, Mayor	Hilari Hubner, Town Clerk