RESOLUTION NO. 2939

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND ACCEPTING A DONATION OF A BRONZE STATUE FROM THE SALISBURY ZOO COMMISSION FOR THE SALISBURY ZOOLOGICAL PARK.

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Salisbury supports the acceptance of donations at the Salisbury Zoo; and

WHEREAS, the Salisbury Zoo Commission would like to donate to the City a bronze statue; and

WHEREAS, the Salisbury Zoo Commission received a financial donation from Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Beattie to fund the creation and placement of the bronze statue; and

WHEREAS, the bronze statue has been received and permanently mounted for display at the Salisbury Zoo.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland hereby accepts the donation of the bronze statue valued at \$60,000.00.

THIS RESOLUTION was introduced and duly passed at a meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland held on May 13, 2019 and is to become effective immediately upon adoption.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

John R. Heath

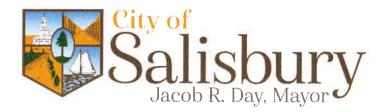
PRESIDENT, City Council

APPROVED by me this 19 day of MY

2019

Jacob R. Day

MAYOR, City of Salisbury



To:

Julia Glanz, City Administrator

From: Tom Stevenson, Director of Field Operations

Date: May 1, 2019

Re:

Zoo Donation - Bronze Bear Statue

The Salisbury Zoo Commission received a donation from Dr. and Mrs. Beattie designated to support the creation of an original bronze statue of an Andean bear "Gritto" which resided at the Salisbury Zoo from 2003 to 2015. This bronze bear statue has been completed and installed on Zoo grounds. The Salisbury Zoo Commission would like to donate this art work to the City of Salisbury as documented in the attached letter from Ron Alessi, Chairman, dated April 22, 2019.

Attached is a Resolution for consideration to accept the Bronze Bear Statue donation from the Salisbury Zoo Commission at a value of \$60,000.00.

Unless you or the Mayor have further questions, please forward a copy of this memo and attached letter from Ron Alessi with the Resolution to the City Council.

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Mr. Tom Stevenson Director Department of Field Operations City of Salisbury 500 Mack Avenue Salisbury, MD 21801

Re: Zoo Donation

Dear Mr. Stevenson:

Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Beattie, generous supporters of the Salisbury Zoo, made a financial gift to the Salisbury Zoo Commission for the benefit of the Salisbury Zoo. The gift was designated to fund a bronze statue in the likeness of "Gritto", an Andean bear residing at the Salisbury Zoo from 2003 to 2015. The art work was commissioned through David H. Turner of Onley, Virginia.

The bronze bear statue has been completed and has been placed in the Zoo in close proximity to the Andean bear exhibit. Site work preparation for the display of the statue was included within the gift made by Dr. and Mrs. Beattie. The statue was unveiled to the public on Saturday, April 13.

As discussed and approved at the Salisbury Zoo Commission Board of Directors meeting on April 17, 2019 the Commission would like to donate the art work to the City of Salisbury for the continued benefit of the Salisbury Zoo.

We estimate the value of the bronze statue and its display space to be \$60,000.00.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Ralph Piland at the Zoo.

Sincerely,

Ron Alessi

Chairman, Salisbury Zoo Commission

Sallsbury Zoo Commission:

Ronald G. Alessi, Sr./Chairman

Eric Pippen/Vice Chairman

Carol Scissons/Secretary

James Maybury/Treasurer

Linda Wainer/Board Member

Brian Raygor/Board Member

Karen Lutz/Board Member

Matt Likovich/Board Member

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Susan Jones/Board Member

Ralph Piland/Director, ex-officio

