



WAKE COUNTY ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL

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Wake County Board of Commissioners
PO Box 550
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Dear Chairwoman Thomas and Board of Commissioners;

Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 18B-700 (g1), the Wake County Alcoholic Beverage Control Board must set our General Manager's salary either in line with the Wake County Clerk of Superior Court or at a range approved by the Wake County Board of Commissioners. The purpose of this letter is to officially request that the Wake County Board of Commissioners consider updating the range.

Wake County has grown tremendously since the salary range was last updated in 2020. Our population has grown 16% since then. Our community continues to grow as residents have superior access to education, a robust greenway system, quality jobs, and varying housing market.

Along similar lines, Wake County Alcoholic Beverage Control's total sales have grown 30% since 2020. This in turn means more revenue for Wake County Government and area municipalities. It also means more services for those battling alcohol and substance abuse issues. With all that being said, it also translates as more responsibility for our General Manager.

After working with Wake County Government staff, the Wake County Alcoholic Beverage Control Board respectfully requests that the Board of Commissioners consider raising this range to \$193,013 to \$289,520. This adjustment will keep us more in line with competing Mecklenburg County Alcoholic Beverage Control, other State Alcoholic Beverage Control Boards, Wake County municipalities, as well as the growingly competitive private sector.

We want to thank the entire Board of Commissioners for the support you provide our organization. Our staff works hard to serve the citizens of Wake County by providing a variety of products through quality customer service. If you should have any questions about this request or anything going on within our organization, then do not hesitate to contact me personally.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lucius S Jones".
Lucius Jones
Chairman

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Cc: Wake County Alcoholic Beverage Control Board
Wake County Manager David Ellis

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