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News Release

Historic Courthouse Designated as Museum

July 21, 2015, Monroe, NC – The Union County Board of Commissioners has designated the Historic Courthouse and grounds as a Museum of Union County History and directs County staff to work with the Union County Historic Preservation Commission, Union County Historical Society and the Carolinas Genealogical Society to develop policies for displaying artifacts, promoting use of the property and protecting the structure.

The Historic Courthouse, located at 300 N. Main Street in Monroe, was built in 1886 and was designated in 1971 to the National Register of Historic Places. On April 22, 1985, an ordinance was adopted designating the inside, outside and grounds of old Courthouse as a historic landmark.

The Union County Heritage Room is located in the Historic Courthouse and is operated by the Union County Historic Preservation Commission, Union County Historical Society and the Carolinas Genealogical Society. The Heritage Room contains books and files on local history and families, genealogical journals, newsletters, scrapbooks, military and Civil War information, obituaries, maps, church and school files, books and other items of local interest and historic property preservation and designations.

The Union County Board of Commissioners wishes to protect the structure, monuments and donated artifacts displayed at the Historic Courthouse.

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