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DATE: February 16, 2026

TO : Hoke County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Daphne Graham-Dudley  
Hoke County Tax Administrator

RE: Approval of Disabled Veteran Exclusion

Attached is a letter from Mr. Michael Smith. Mr. Smith purchased a home in Hoke County in June of 2024. He said that he called at that time to inquire about the exemption for 100% disabled Veterans. At the time, Mr. Smith was not eligible to receive the exemption until 2025, since he was not the owner of the home as of January 1, 2024. It all depends on when Mr. Smith called the office, and someone would have told him he was too late to apply. The exemption time frame is Jan 1 to June 1 each year. Mr. Smith is requesting that his exemption be approved for 2025 and that his tax bill be reduced and refunded. He has submitted his documents for 2026.

Respectfully,

Daphne Graham-Dudley  
Tax Administrator