

## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR J.R. "JOEY" HOPKINS SECRETARY

September 05, 2024

Paul Lutgen 8501 Kennedy Kelly Ct. Oak Ridge, NC 27310

Re: AAH 35 year award

Kernersville Knights of Columbus

ORGID:4860

Dear Mr. Lutgen:

Congratulations! Your group has participated in the Adopt-A-Highway Program since August 01,1989. In recognition of your service to protect the environment and enhance the quality of life for all North Carolinians, we are pleased to award you this distinguished 35 year award and two 35-year stars for your Adopt-A-Highway signs.

We hope you will display this award and these stars as they acknowledge your commitment to preserving the beauty and cleanliness of North Carolina roadsides.

Nearly 5,000 Adopt-A-Highway groups have adopted approximately 10,000 miles of state-maintained roads. Last year approximately 55,000 volunteers from all 100 counties picked up nearly 1,100,000 pounds of litter. Adopt-A-Highway volunteers save the taxpayers millions of dollars annually in roadside cleanup costs! This success would not be possible without the hard work and dedication of volunteers like you.

On behalf of Governor Cooper and Secretary Hopkins, thank you for your dedication to keeping North Carolina roadsides clean and beautiful.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Wheeless

Adopt-A-Highway Program