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MCSO hosts HISET and CMS Graduation Ceremony

(CHARLOTTE, NC)-The Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office is pleased to announce the graduation of five residents who completed the High School Equivalency Test (HISET) and one resident who graduated from Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools. Today's ceremony was held at the Mecklenburg County Detention Center Central in the presence of MCSO staff, residents and family members who attended virtually.

Sheriff Garry L. McFadden was the keynote speaker and offered words of encouragement to the graduates as well as fellow residents who are preparing to complete HISET; "Are you going to let them define you as an inmate or are you going to let them define you as a man? As long as you are willing to be motivated and help yourself, your Sheriff will stand beside you. As long as you want to do something with your life that is productive and that is meaningful, you have the support of your Sheriff. This is a great accomplishment and there will be more."

There are approximately 45-50 residents currently in the HISET/GED Program; one of four educational programs available to all residents as an opportunity to

address various life circumstances that may have caused them to come into conflict with the law.

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