## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Angie Stone Godbold <u>askgodbold@yahoo.com</u> (843) 758-0472

February 20, 2020

## Angie Stone Godbold Announces Bid for Darlington County Council District #1

Darlington, SC – Angie Stone Godbold, a lifelong resident of Darlington and known for her compassion for the community, announces her candidacy for Darlington County Council District #1. Godbold feels the time is right for a fresh, more unique perspective to reflect the county's diverse footprint with original, community based leadership through thoughtfulness, transparency and honesty. The need for a responsible, reasonable council that makes decisions for today with the mindset of the future, specifically growth with fiscal balance, is one of her focal points.

As stated, "Darlington has become complacent as we simply survive – not thrive. There is no reason, with our industrial tax base, that we do not prosper. I have the skills, as well as the desire, to connect various segments of our community to work together towards shared objectives and finding innovative, attainable solutions to ensure a safe, affordable lifestyle while simultaneously attracting new business/industry and young families to our area. Even with the population decline trend in Darlington, which should be top on council's agenda, we're not too small to have it all!"

Included in her announcement, Godbold expressed reaching beyond the normal limits to help facilitate relationships and initiatives to make Darlington County a better, more desirable region. She brings an all-embracing community perspective with passion and commitment to get things accomplished and describes herself as project- minded and goal specific-oriented through action, communication and collaboration. "Representing District #1 is not a 'one person' job. It's important to listen to citizens inside that realm. They have concerns, but they also have solutions and it's essential to understand and share that information in making decisions for measurable progress. I put great value in what citizens have to contribute", explained Godbold.

Godbold attended Darlington County Public Schools and the University of South Carolina. She is active in her church, First Baptist Church, where she has served as a Sunday school teacher for 25 years and a former Ministry Leader of the Children's Department, Church Council and Nominating Committee. She is past-president of the Darlington Professional Women, past member of the Pilot Club of Darlington and has been a licensed real estate agent since 2000. In addition, Godbold has 25+ years of experience in operations management, customer relations, sales and marketing. Angie and her husband, Ken, also a Darlington native, have one son. Born and raised in Darlington, she is the daughter of Dot Stone and the late Jim Stone.