RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A WORLD TRADE CENTER MEMORIAL AT NORTHEAST DISTRICT PARK

WHEREAS, every person in the United States and many throughout the world were affected by the tragic events of 9/11 and our lives were forever changed by those events; and

WHEREAS, we will join with others in showing our gratitude for the fallen firefighters, volunteers, emergency management personnel, law enforcement officers, and citizens impacted by 9/11; and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge with gratitude that we are fortunate in Chatham County to be protected by those who put themselves in harm's way to keep us safe; and

WHEREAS, we have the opportunity to receive a piece of steel beam from the fallen World Trade Center from the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey to create our own local memorial in honor of the victims of 9/11; and

WHEREAS, Chatham County will prepare a special location for the 9/11 Memorial, a site that will accessible by all who want to visit it.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chatham County Board of Commissioners joins the Chatham County Fire Marshal's Office and the Chatham County Parks & Recreation Advisory Board in requesting a piece of steel beam from the World Trade Center towers to serve as the focal point of this special memorial; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we will join with many others across the county in hosting a dedication for the memorial on 9/11/2011, the ten-year anniversary of the 9/11 tragedy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Chatham County will extend invitations throughout the county and surrounding areas and states to fire marshals, firefighters, rescue personnel, law enforcement officers, mayors, town board members, county officials volunteer organizations and all of our citizens, asking them to be part of this very special event.

Adopted this, the 16th day of November 2009.

George Lucier, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sandra B. Sublett, CMC, Clerk to the Board

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