

**CHATHAM COUNTY RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF JERRY MARKATOS
2009 INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD WINNER
HUMAN RIGHTS COALITION OF NORTH CAROLINA**

WHEREAS, Jerry Markatos has been named by the Human Rights Coalition of North Carolina as the *2009 International Human Rights Award* recipient; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Markatos is a “long-time unsung hero” who has advocated for human rights locally, nationally, and internationally including in Latin America and the Middle East; and

WHEREAS, Jerry Markatos was active with the Tri County Alliance on Hazardous Waste and other grassroots organizations; and

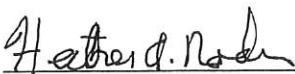
WHEREAS, since the 1990s, Jerry Markatos has organized fundraising events for Pastors for Peace; and

WHEREAS, in 1991, Jerry Markatos co-founded the media discussion group, Balance & Accuracy in Journalism;

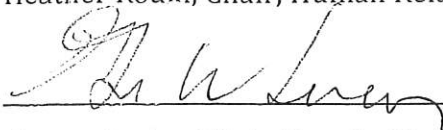
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chatham County Human Relations Commission (CCHRC) and the Chatham County Board of Commissioners (BOC) value the contributions of Jerry Markatos to the advancement of human rights; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the CCHRC and the BOC join the Human Rights Coalition of North Carolina in bestowing special honor and recognition to Jerry Markatos for his laudable service to Chatham County.

Signed and sealed this 14th day of December, 2009,



Heather Rodin, Chair, Human Relations Commission



George Lucier, Chair, Board of Commissioners