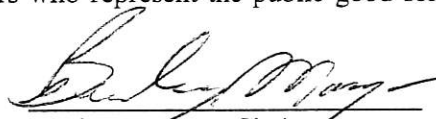



Resolution Proclaiming Community Advisory Committee Appreciation Day

- Whereas,** Nursing Homes and Adult Care Homes have accepted the responsibility for providing long-term care health services to the citizens of our community;
- Whereas,** Approximately 800 residents reside in long-term care facilities in Chatham County;
- Whereas,** The quality of care and quality of life of long-term care residents depend upon the daily, conscientious services and hands-on care provided by long term care facility staff, as well as the honoring of federal and state Residents' Bill of Rights;
- Whereas,** Nursing Home and Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committees, whose members are appointed by the County Commissioners to serve as grassroots ombudsmen and advocate for the rights of residents, as well as the physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual well-being of these residents;
- Whereas,** Nursing Home and Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committees are trained volunteers who collaborate closely with residents, family members, facility staff, the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program, and regulatory agencies to ensure quality care in full recognition of residents' dignity and individuality;
- Whereas,** These Committees serve as the nucleus for increased community involvement with long-term care facilities and their residents;
- Whereas,** The Committees promote community education and awareness of the needs of long-term care residents and work toward keeping the public informed about aspects of long-term care;
- Whereas,** The committees apprise themselves of the general conditions under which residents are residing in the homes and work for the best interests of these residents;

Now Therefore the Chatham County Board of Commissioners do hereby proclaim April 26, 2006 as **Community Advisory Committee Appreciation Day** and urge all citizens to join with us in this observation. We encourage citizens to express appreciation for the advocacy efforts of the Nursing Home and Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee members who represent the public good for Chatham County.


Bunkey Morgan, Chairman

ATTEST:


Sandra B. Sublett, CMC, Clerk to the Board
Chatham County Board of Commissioners