RESOLUTION

HONORING THE SERVICE OF COUNTY ATTORNEY ROBERT L. GUNN

WHEREAS, after developing proficiency in local government law as an Institute of Government staff attorney and Assistant Attorney General, Robert L. "Bob" Gunn was appointed as the Chatham County Attorney in December 1973, and

WHEREAS, for the next thirty-three years Mr. Gunn provided numerous commissioners, several managers, and hundreds of staff members with expert legal advice in a professional, straightforward, and unpretentious manner; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Gunn provided the legal framework for many significant events in the County's history, including development of a water system, appointment of the first county manager, construction of five schools and numerous other county facilities, and implementation of land use regulations and building inspections, to name a few; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, Mr. Gunn ably adapted to the increased size and complexity of county government, as evidenced by his consistently successful representation of the county in litigation; and

WHEREAS, each time the County has been without a manager, Boards of Commissioners have turned to Mr. Gunn to provide oversight of the organization as Interim County Manager; and

WHEREAS, after thirty-three years of tireless service, Mr. Gunn has announced his retirement effective December 31, 2006;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Chatham, North Carolina, that we do honor and commend Robert L. "Bob" Gunn for his many years of service to Chatham County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we extend our best wishes to Mr. Gunn and his family;

Adopted this, the 18th day of December, 2006.

Carl Thompson, Chair

George Lucier, Vice Chair

Patrick Barnes, Commissioner

Mike Cross, Commissioner

Tom Vanderbeck, Commissioner