

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING A ONE CENT SALES TAX IN
CHATHAM COUNTY
March 21, 2005**

Whereas, as the state's second fastest-growing county, Chatham County is growing at historically record rates, and

Whereas, before now Chatham County has been a largely agricultural community, and

Whereas, population growth in the county far exceeds the county's fiscal growth, and

Whereas, population growth at this rate strains the county's human resources and places more pressure on the county's building and space needs, and

Whereas, Chatham County's reliance on the property tax for funding services and capital needs is already among the highest in the state; and

Whereas, the county does not have the fiscal infrastructure to adequately address school space needs and county space needs, and

Whereas, the Board of Commissioners are exploring all possible avenues to address the building needs of the county,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners for Chatham County hereby requests the General Assembly of North Carolina to ratify a Senate Bill sponsored by Senator Bob Atwater which authorizes Chatham County to levy a local one cent sales tax, revenue which the county shall designate for capital projects, including school construction.

Adopted this 21st day of March 2005.


Bunkey Morgan

ATTEST:


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