## RESOLUTION

## HONORING THE SERVICE OF STELLA RUTH HORTON

WHEREAS, in August 1978, at an age when many people are contemplating retirement, Stella Ruth Horton began a second career with the Chatham County Department of Social Services as an in-home aide; and

WHEREAS, in her 27 years with Chatham County, Ms. Horton has played a major role in fulfilling the mission of DSS: to help elderly and disabled adults continue living at home as long as they can; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Horton assists her clients with tasks vitally important to independent living, such as grocery shopping, medical visits, and paying household bills; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Horton is known to her co-workers and her clients as a person who has strong endurance for hard work, loves the people she serves, and continuously exhibits a positive outlook, a good spirit, and a bright smile; and

WHEREAS, never ending her workday at 5 o'clock, Ms. Horton frequently goes the extra mile for her clients and, in doing so, has become like a member of many of her clients' families; and

WHEREAS, as a person who can be counted on for her determination and insight into clients needs, Ms. Horton is a very valuable and respected member of the DSS Adult Services team, and she will be missed by all of her colleagues for her important contributions to maintaining the independence of elderly and disabled adults;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Chatham, North Carolina, that we do honor and commend Stella Ruth Horton for 27 years of service to Chatham County; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that we extend our best wishes to Ms. Horton on the occasion of her retirement.

Adopted this, the 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2005.

Bunkey Morgan, Chairmar

ATTEST:

Marilyn F. Collins, Deputy Clerk to the Board Chatham County Board of Commissioners