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Chatham County Board of Commissioners Town of Siler City Board of Commissioners Joint Resolution Requesting The Siting of the Central N.C. Mental Health Hospital In Chatham County

WHEREAS, geographic accessibility to the service area is one of the key factors in deciding where to locate a mental health facility; and

WHEREAS, many mental health patients require frequent transportation assistance, therefore, access to major highways is another important issue; and

WHEREAS, the Chatham County site under consideration for the Central N.C. Mental Hospital is located in the geographic center of the hospital's service area at the intersection of two major highways, U.S. 64 and U.S. 421; and

WHEREAS, in addition to its ideal location, this site will further benefit North Carolina taxpayers, as Chatham County has agreed to donate the property, which already has access to water and sewer services; and

WHEREAS, location of the facility in Chatham County will also promote a major goal of the state, economic development in rural areas;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Chatham County Board of Commissioners and the Town of Siler City Board of Commissioners, that we hereby request that the North Carolina General Assembly approve Chatham County as the location for the Central N.C. Mental Hospital.

Adopted this 7th day of April, 2003.

Tommy J. Emerson, Chairman

ATTEST:

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