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RESOLUTION SUPPORTING TOBACCO ALLOTMENT BUY-OUT PROGRAM

Whereas, tobacco production has played a vital role in the economy of North Carolina throughout the history of the State; and

Whereas, tobacco producers and their families have been important contributors to the familyoriented society which makes our State so desirable; and

Whereas, the tobacco industry is now under assault on many fronts, as a result of which the continued production of tobacco in the region is seriously endangered; and

Whereas, the elimination of tobacco production in this State will cause significant harm to the culture, heritage and economic stability of a region which cherishes its way of life; and

Whereas, the proposed tobacco allotment buy-out program is absolutely necessary for those who have worked so hard to create equity in their tobacco allotment.

IT IS, ACCORDINGLY, HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Chatham County, North Carolina hereby expresses its unqualified support for implementation of a tobacco allotment buyout program which fairly compensates tobacco producers for their loss of allotment and urges all federal legislative action required to promptly enact and implement that program.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chatham County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses their pride in tobacco producers and their families and their appreciation for the important societal contributions they have made through their hardworking, family-oriented lifestyle.

Adopted this, the 6th day of October, 2003.

Thomas J. Emerson, Chairman

Attest:

COMMISSIONERS TOMMY J. EMERSON

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