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RESOLUTION COMMENDING GERALDINE DeGRAFFENREIDT ON HER SELECTION AS A 2002 PETRA FELLOW

WHEREAS, the Petra Foundation was established in 1988 in memory of Petra Tolle Shattuck, who grew up on a farm in the shadow of the Third Reich and the Holocaust, emigrated to the United States in 1961 and devoted her life to resisting intolerance, removing the barriers to achievement, and freeing the human spirit; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Petra Foundation is to recognize, encourage, and support unsung individuals who are making distinctive contributions to human freedom; and

WHEREAS, the Petra Foundation has selected Ms. Geraldine DeGraffenreidt as one of four national recipients of a 2002 Petra Fellow Award; and

WHEREAS, by the sheer power of her personality, Ms. DeGraffenreidt, Maternal Outreach Worker for the Chatham County Public Health Department, has not only persuaded scores of young mothers to take advantage of county health and family support services, but has also encouraged the young men who fathered their children to become productive participants in their children's lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Chatham, North Carolina that the Board of Commissioners commends Ms. DeGraffenreidt for her outstanding work to strengthen Chatham County families and on her appointment as a 2002 Petra Fellow.

Adopted this, the 17th day of June, 2002.

Chatham County Board of Commissioners

Sandra Lee Sublett, Clerk to the Board

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