## RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE RELEASE OF INFORMATION

WHEREAS, the Board is aware that there has been considerable public discussion and that several news articles have been published concerning a certain personnel action taken by the County Health Director; and

WHEREAS, inaccurate information has been published in the newspapers which has adversely impacted the public confidence in the administration of county services; and

WHEREAS, the Manager has recommended and the Board of Commissioners is of the opinion that it is necessary to release certain information concerning the said personnel action and the reasons therefor; and

WHEREAS, in limited circumstances outlined in N.C.G.S. Section 153A-98(c)(7), the County Manager with the concurrence of the Board of Commissioners may make known various personnel actions, including termination of an employee and the reason for those actions.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. The Board of Commissioners, pursuant to the above cited statute, does hereby determine that the release of the information concerning the personnel action and the reasons therefor is essential to maintaining public confidence in the administration of county services; and does further find that the release is essential to maintaining the level and quality of county services.

Section 2. The Board of Commissioners, upon the recommendation of the County Manager, hereby expresses its concurrence to release information concerning the nature of the personnel action taken by the County Health Director, the employee involved, and the reasons therefor.

Section 3. The County Manager has reduced to writing his determination that the release of said information is essential to maintaining public confidence in the administration of county services; and that the release is essential to maintaining the level and quality of county services.

Section 4. Both this resolution and the written determination by the County Manager shall be retained in the office of the County Clerk and shall be a record available for public inspection, and also shall become a part of the personnel record of the person concerned.

Section 5. This resolution shall be null and void if this controversy is resolved by 5:00 o'clock P. M., November 7, 2000 by notice of retirement and withdrawal of the letter of termination.

## Section 6. This resolution shall become effective upon its adoption.

Adopted this, the 6th day of November, 2000.

Sandra B. Lee, Clerk to the Board

Chatham County Board of Commissioners