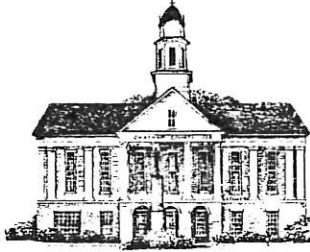


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Resolution 99-03

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## RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PLACING ALL PROGRAMS TRADITIONALLY IN THE DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH UNDER THE ORGANIZATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

**WHEREAS**, Delivery of Environmental Health services to the Citizens of North Carolina is carried out at the county level by local health department employees; and

**WHEREAS**, Delivery of Environmental Health services at the local level is funded by local dollars (97% local and 3% state); and

**WHEREAS**, Environmental Health services at the local level include on-site wastewater (i.e. septic systems); food, lodging and institutional sanitation (restaurants, nursing homes, foodborne disease investigation); child care sanitation, child lead program, swimming pools, safe drinking water; and

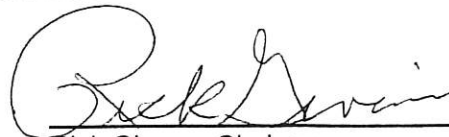
**WHEREAS**, The State relies on local employees who are authorized as agents of the State Division of Environmental Health to carry out mandated State Environmental Health programs; and

**WHEREAS**, Having two different proposed State Environmental Health authorities for local health departments is inefficient and will cause regulatory confusion for the public and severely impact centralized training, authorization regulatory direction and uniformity; and

**WHEREAS**, The North Carolina Association of County Commissioners, the North Carolina Association of Local Health Directors, the Association of North Carolina Boards of Health, the North Carolina Environmental Health Supervisors' Association, and the North Carolina Public Health Association have endorsed the position to keep Environmental Health Programs together under the State Health Director.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, The Chatham County Board of Commissioners strongly supports the need to ensure all aspects of Environmental health be under the organizational structure of the Department of Health and Human Services in order to continue to provide the most effective regulatory program for the citizens of North Carolina for the protection of the public health and preservation of the environment.

Adopted this, the 15th day of March, 1999.



Rick Givens, Chairman  
Chatham County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:



Sandra Lee, Clerk to the Board  
Chatham County