COUNTY OF CHATHAM

Res.# 99-11

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Resolution by Chatham County for Legislative Request to Oppose Proposal That Would Have North Carolina Counties Fund 50% of the Non-Federal Share for Mental Health Medicaid Services

Whereas, Chatham County is one of 100 counties in the State of North Carolina dedicated to the principles of accountability, fiscal responsibility, and good government; and

Whereas, since fiscal year 1989-90 Chatham County has experienced an increase of 240% in the local share of Medicaid funding; this currently equates to 2.7 cents on the ad valorem tax rate, absorbing 29% of the total taxes collected in the County for social services programs; and

Whereas, North Carolina is one of only 7 states which requires counties to match Medicaid costs; and

Whereas, Governor Jim Hunt is proposing to increase from 15% to 50% the non-federal share for mental health Medicaid services paid by North Carolina counties; and

Whereas, this type of unfunded mandate will place a severe financial burden on Chatham County and its taxpayers.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESLOVED, that the Chatham County Board of Commissioners hereby requests the Chatham County Delegation to the North Carolina General Assembly to oppose any legislation that would increase the Medicaid funding burden on North Carolina counties.

Adopted this, the 6th day of April, 1999.

Rick Givens, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sandra B Lee, Clerk to the Board

Chatham County Board of Commissioners