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RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF LEGISLATION WHICH WOULD REPEAL THAT PORTION OF GENERAL STATUTE 122C-115(d) THAT LIMITS A COUNTY'S ABILITY TO MAKE DECISIONS ON FUNDING FOR LOCAL AREA AUTHORITIES

WHEREAS, County Commissioners are charged with the responsibility of being good stewards of county tax dollars; and

WHEREAS, to be effective stewards of these tax dollars, County Commissioners must make decisions that will address the needs of our citizens and the ability of taxpayers to fund these needs; and

WHEREAS, General Statute 122C-115(d) abolishes the ability to counties to make these decisions by stating that county appropriations and expenditures for area authorities may not be reduced because of the availability of state-allocated funds, fees, capitation amounts, or fund balance of the area authority; and

WHEREAS, this legislation can mean to many counties that some necessary programs can suffer because of lack of funding because area authorities must be funded at current levels even though the programs they administer have excessive funds at their disposal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chatham County Board of Commissioners supports legislation that will repeal that portion of General Statute 122C-115(d) which eliminates a county's ability to make decisions on funding for area authorities and requests that local legislators lend their support.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be transmitted to the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners and all County Commission Chairs in the State of North Carolina requesting that they support this legislation so that control of county tax dollars will remain with each individual county.

Adopted this, the 3rd day of August, 1998.

Margaret Bryant Pollard, Chair

ATTEST

Sandra B. Lee, Clerk to the Board

Chatham County Board of Commissioners