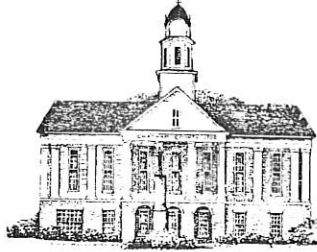


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## **RESOLUTION TO APPROVE UNFUNDED MANDATES (For State of North Carolina to Assume Financial Responsibility and Liability for All Social Programs)**

**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**, the increase in unfunded mandates has placed a severe financial burden on Chatham County and its tax payers; and,

**WHEREAS**, since fiscal year 1989-90 Chatham County has experienced an increase of 238% in the local share of Medicaid funding. This currently equates to 4.8 cents on the ad valorem tax rate absorbing 21% of the total taxes collected in the County for Social Services program; and,

**WHEREAS**, Chatham County is anticipating an undetermined increase in costs for Social Services programs based on forecast of the governments, economists and practical realistic benchmarks; and,

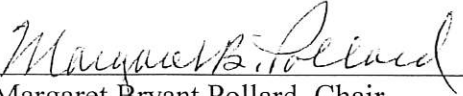
**WHEREAS**, North Carolina is one of only seven States which require Counties to match Medicaid cost (5%) and AFDC cost (17%). Further North Carolina is the only State which requires counties to match up to 50% in administrative costs in Social Service economic programs; and,

**WHEREAS**, the fiscal burden placed on the citizens of Chatham County by mandates has resulted in severely limiting the County Government in its ability to provide other necessary service needs for the citizens of this county; and,


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Chatham County Board of Commissioners hereby requests the Chatham County Delegation to the North Carolina General Assembly to introduce special legislation to implore the State of North Carolina to assume the financial responsibility and liability for all social programs.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that copies of this resolution shall be transmitted to the Governor and Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina, the President Pro Tempore of the North Carolina Senate, the Speaker of the North Carolina House of Representatives, Chatham County Delegates to the General Assembly, to the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners and the other 99 Counties of the State of North Carolina.

Adopted this, the 17th day of February, 1997.

  
Margaret Bryant Pollard, Chair

**ATTEST**

  
Sandra B. Lee, Clerk to the Board  
Chatham County Board of Commissioners