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RESOLUTION 96/97 BY CHATHAM COUNTY

WHEREAS, in North Carolina the Lead Regional Organizations, as voluntary organizations serving municipal and county governments, have established productive working relationships with the cities and counties across the state; and

WHEREAS, many counties and cities continue to need assistance in pursuing economic and community development opportunities, but federal assistance in the form of intergovernmental revenues has been severely curtailed in recent years; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly continued to recognize this need through the appropriation of \$864,270 to help the Lead Regional Organizations assist local governments with grant applications, economic development, community development, and to support local industrial development activities and other activities as deemed appropriate by their local governments; and

WHEREAS, these funds are not intended to be used for payment of members' dues or assessments to Lead Regional Organization or to supplant funds appropriated by the member governments; and

WHEREAS, in the event that a request is not made by a unit of government for release of these funds to our Regional Council, the available funds will revert to the State's General Funds; and

WHEREAS, in Region J funds in the amount of \$48,015 will be used to carry out the economic development plan approved by the COG Board of Delegates and especially to improve the economy of the counties and towns of the Region by strengthening ties to and consequently benefits of the Research Triangle Park.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that <u>CHATHAM COUNTY</u> requests the release of its \$2889.18 share of these funds to the Triangle J Council of Governments at the earliest possible time in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 324, House Bill 229, section 9.4 of the 1995 Session Laws.

Adopted this 4th day of November, 1996.

Uva R. Holland, Chairman

Chatham County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST

Sandra B. Lee, Clerk to the Board

Chatham County