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A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR CHATHAM COUNTY

WHEREAS, the General Statutes of North Carolina, Chapter 158, Article 2, provides for the establishment and operation of Economic Development Commissions; and

WHEREAS, it is advantageous to the welfare of the County of Chatham that a continuous economic development program be undertaken, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners needs the active assistance and constant cooperation of the many concerned citizens in their efforts to serve the best interests of the people and to encourage economic and industrial growth for the betterment of Chatham County, therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners hereby establish Chatham County Economic Development Commission hereinafter referred to as the "Economic Development Commission" and ordain that it be governed by the following provisions.

- Section 1. <u>Appointment and Compensation</u>. The Economic Development Commission shall consist of nine (9) members appointed by the Board of Commissioners to serve the terms set forth herein.
 - A. Appointments to the Economic Development Commission shall be made in such a manner that the commission will have at least one member from each of three incorporated municipalities in the County, recommended by the governing body of that municipality. Five members will be appointed by the Board of Commissioners, and one appointment by the Board of Commissioners upon the nomination of a member from the Chatham County Small Business Association. The appointments shall also be made in such a manner that the Economic Development Commission members shall represent, so far as is practicable, the geographic, the socio-economic, sexual, and racial composition of the county.

- Section 3. <u>General Powers and Duties</u>. It shall be the duty of the Economic Development Commission working with other local, regional, state and federal agencies:
 - A. To receive from any municipal, county, joint or regional planning board or commission with jurisdiction within its area an economic development program for part of all of the area;
 - B. To formulate projects for carrying out such economic development program through attraction of new industries, encouragement of existing industries, encouragement of agricultural development, encouragement of new business and industrial ventures by local as well as foreign capital, and other activities of a similar nature;
 - C. To conduct industrial surveys as needed, advertise in periodicals or other communications media, furnish advice and assistance to business and industrial prospects which may locate in its area, furnish advice and assistance to existing businesses and industries, furnish advice and assistance to persons seeking to establish new businesses or industries, and engage in related activities;
 - D. To encourage the formation of private business development corporations or associations which may carry out such projects as securing and preparing sites for industrial development, constructing industrial buildings, or rendering financial or managerial assistance to businesses and industries; and furnish advice and assistance to such corporations or associations;
 - E. To make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners regarding the adoption of policies which will promote industrial and economic development in the county.
 - F. To carry on such other activities as may be necessary in the proper exercise of the functions described herein.
- Section 4. <u>Staff</u>. The County Manager, as authorized by the Board of Commissioners, shall serve as staff to the Economic Development Commission.
- Section 5. <u>Repeal and Date of Effect</u>. All ordinances, parts hereof, resolutions, and Board of County Commissioner actions related to the Chatham County Economic Development Commission in existence prior to the adoption of this ordinance are hereby repealed. This resolution and ordinance shall be in full force and effect as an ordinance of Chatham County from and after August 8, 1994.
- Section 6. <u>Validity</u>. Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution and ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, the reminder of the resolution and ordinance shall not be affected thereby.