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Resolution of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners

Honoring Dr. George Lucier for His Lifelong Public Service Including More Than Twenty-Two Years of Dedicated Service to Chatham County

WHEREAS, Dr. George Lucier received his Ph.D. in insecticide toxicology from the University of Maryland School of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lucier served at the NIH National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences in Research Triangle Park for thirty-one years, authored 250 scientific publications, and was founding editor of the international journal "Environmental Health Perspectives", where he served as editor for twenty-eight years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lucier served as the Chair of the NC Scientific Advisory Board with the Department of Environmental and Natural Resources for fifteen years, overseeing risk assessments for air pollutants in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lucier was appointed to the Chatham County Planning Board from 2001 to 2006 and again from 2012 to present where he has served as both Chair and Vice Chair; and

WHEREAS, since 2011 Dr. Lucier has served on the Central Carolina Community College Board of Trustees and the Central Carolina Community College Foundation Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lucier was elected in 2006 by the voters of Chatham County to serve a four year term as Chatham County Commissioner representing Commissioner District 3, serving two years as Chair and two years as Vice Chair; and

WHEREAS, during Dr. Lucier's term as County Commissioner he collaborated regionally on a joint land use plan with the Town of Cary, a joint planning committee with the Town of Chapel Hill and Orange County, and a consortium to build a new Jordan Lake water treatment plant; and

WHEREAS, during Dr. Lucier's term as County Commissioner he worked to adopt ordinances protecting Chatham's rivers and streams; participated in negotiations leading to legislative action on the Jordan Lake nutrient rules, and created a resident-based Environmental Review Board to revise environmental ordinances and establish environmental assessments on new developments; and

WHEREAS, during Dr. Lucier's term as County Commissioner he helped establish a multi-year capital improvement plan with a debt model to strengthen the County's bond rating and worked with Chatham County Schools to increase the budget and teacher supplements; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Lucier served the Chatham Community by working with the Haw River Assembly and the Rocky River Heritage Foundation and coaching numerous recreational teams in Chatham County, including basketball at Woods Charter School; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chatham County Board of Commissioners hereby expresses its deep appreciation and gratitude to Dr. George Lucier for his lifelong public service and over twenty-two years of dedicated service to Chatham County and for giving so selflessly of his time and talents to make Chatham County a better place to live, work, and play; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chatham County Board of Commissioners, County staff and residents will be forever grateful for his strong leadership and dedication to the Chatham County community.

Adopted, this the 16th day of October 2023.

Karen Howard, Chair
Chatham County Board of Commissioners

