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**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CONTINUATION OF
JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL FUNDING**

WHEREAS, Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) funding has been removed from the continuation budget and is now subject to continuation review; and

WHEREAS, the non-recurring status of JCPC funding and subsequent continuation review will delay the annual appropriation and may result in the loss of qualified professionals to provide diversion and dispositional alternatives at the local level; and

WHEREAS, since 1977, the State of North Carolina and county governments have been partners in providing effective and necessary community-based juvenile delinquency prevention and intervention services; and

WHEREAS, the JCPC funding programs of Chatham County leverage \$41,818 in local support to augment funds provided by the state to provide these important services; and

WHEREAS, the JCPC funded programs of Chatham County are supported by the efforts of 110 volunteers yearly; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with legislative mandates, the Chatham County JCPC is comprised of representatives of juvenile court, mental health, social service, schools, law enforcement, district judges, faith community, county manager, nonprofit sector and other concerned citizens; and

WHEREAS, The Chatham County JCPC diligently carries out its charge of assessing community needs, planning for those needs to be met, recommending programs for funding to meet the needs and evaluating the performance of those programs; and

WHEREAS, the loss of JCPC program services in Chatham County will result in juveniles being without intervention and prevention services such as restitution and community service, interpersonal skills, counseling

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chatham County Board of Commissioners strongly endorses full reinstatement of funding for Juvenile Crime Prevention Council programs to the continuation budget and the allocation of additional funds to support legislative mandates to protect the community and provide a juvenile justice continuum at the local level.

Adopted this, the 18th day of February, 2008.

ATTEST:

George Lucier, Chairman
Chatham County Board of Commissioners

Sandra B. Sublett, CMC, Clerk to the Board
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