

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE OZONE ADVANCE PROGRAM
APPROVED BY FAYETTEVILLE AREA METROPOLITAN PLANNING
ORGANIZATION TRANSPORTATION POLICY BOARD**

WHEREAS, the Federal Clean Air Act, through the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), establishes air quality standards to protect public health and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Fayetteville Metropolitan Area Air Quality Stakeholders Committee has acknowledged the importance of these standards in promoting quality of life, future economic development, and healthy communities; and

WHEREAS, the Fayetteville Public Works Commission is a member of the Fayetteville Metropolitan Area Air Quality Stakeholders Committee; and, **WHEREAS**, for the benefit of our region we commit to maintain at or below the Federal ozone standard as set annually by the EPA; and

WHEREAS, in 2003 the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners and partner municipalities, including the Fayetteville Public Works Commission, participated in the EPA's Early Action Compact and created a Committee focused on Air Quality to proactively improve air quality for our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the EPA "Ozone Advance Program", an initiative developed in conjunction with state governments, business, industry, and environmental interest, where local municipalities in partnership with the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality (NC DEQ) can voluntarily improve conditions through strategies developed through an Action Plan to help avoid a designation of non-attainment; and


WHEREAS, the benefits of participating in an Ozone Advance Program include: clean air sooner, potentially avoiding non-attainment designation; preference during EPA federal grant allocations; flexibility to achieve standards in cost effective ways; development of local standards in partnership with stakeholders and the state, and other benefits;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION, that we fully support the Ozone Advance Program as approved by the Fayetteville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Policy Board and resolves to maintain attainment and work to improve Air Quality as a partner.

ADOPTED this 25th day of July, 2018.

FAYETTEVILLE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

ATTEST:


Wade R. Fowler, Jr., Chairman


Darsweil L. Rogers, Secretary