

**RESOLUTION AGAINST HOUSE BILL 1587  
"THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT FAIR COMPETITION ACT"**

**WHEREAS**, House Bill 1587, "The Local Government Fair Competition Act", has been entered in the 2007 session of the General Assembly of North Carolina, and

**WHEREAS**, House Bill 1587 has been assigned to the Utilities Committee for consideration, and

**WHEREAS**, House Bill 1587 places an additional and unnecessary burdens on local governments who have chosen to provide high-speed broadband telecommunication services to its businesses and residences, and

**WHEREAS**, House Bill 1587 is not designed to make competition fair, but to greatly hinder local governments from providing needed services where existing high quality internet services are non-existent and where private companies have chosen not to make the investment necessary to provide those services, and

**WHEREAS**, the General Assembly has already established the 1) rules for Public Enterprise (NCGS § 160A Article 16), 2) regulations through The Budget and Fiscal Control Act (NCGS § 159 Article 3), and oversight by The Local Government Commission (NCGS § Article 2) in which a local government must abide in order to undertake providing an enterprise service to its community, and

**WHEREAS**, House Bill 1587 is counter to the Local Development Act of 1925 as established NCGS § 158 that allows local governments to aid and encourage economic development in communities throughout North Carolina, and

**WHEREAS**, the development of new communication technologies, high-speed broadband networks and their expeditious deployment in all our local communities is necessary for economic development and community growth in North Carolina into the future to replace our lost textile, tobacco, furniture and manufacturing jobs.

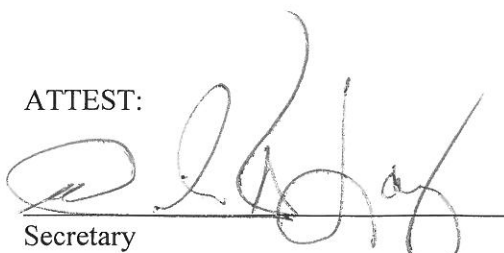
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Public Works Commission of the City of Fayetteville, North Carolina is against the passing of House Bill 1587 and urges all members of the North Carolina General Assembly to vote "NO" in Committee and if necessary on the floor of the General Assembly.

Adopted this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May 2007, at Fayetteville, North Carolina.

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF THE  
CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA**

  
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Chairman

ATTEST:

  
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Secretary