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RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF "AIR QUALITY AWARENESS WEEK" April 28 – May 4, 2008

WHEREAS, clean air is essential to public health, the environment and the economy in Cumberland County; and

WHEREAS, we need clean air to protect and improve the quality of our forests, streams and lakes for public recreation and wildlife; and

WHEREAS, we need clean air to sustain tourism, agriculture and other aspects of the economy; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the National Weather Service urge Americans to "Be Aware of Our Air" during Air Quality Awareness Week, April 28 through May 2, 2008; and

WHEREAS, following a requirement of the Clean Air Act, the EPA recently strengthened the national air quality standard for ozone from 0.08 to 0.075 parts per million for improved human health and safety; and

WHEREAS, taking immediate action to improve air quality is of major concern to the Cumberland County and all the Municipal Governments; and

WHEREAS, the citizens and businesses of Cumberland County are invited to participate in the countywide effort to lower emissions of ozone precursors; and

WHEREAS, daily air quality forecasting will be available from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources Division of Air Quality from April 30 through September 30, 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fayetteville Public Works Commission supports the designation of April 28 through May 4, 2008, as "AIR QUALITY AWARENESS WEEK" and call upon citizens to observe the week with activities that promote clean air and take part in making our community a cleaner, healthier place to live, work, and play.

Adopted this 9th day of April 2008, at Fayetteville, North Carolina.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

Michael G. Lallier, Chairman

ATTEST:

Terri Union, Secretary