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Resolution of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners Supporting the Formation of the Triangle Trails Initiative

Whereas, Chatham County, North Carolina is committed to maintaining and enhancing the quality of life for citizens throughout the region and recognizes that the “Triangle Trails Initiative” intends to contribute to quality of life by assisting regional partners with weaving together community and regional assets via a network of trails and greenways; and

Whereas, the “Triangle Trails Initiative” recommends linking trails and greenways together, across a multi-county regional landscape, gaining cooperation of public and private sector interests that encourage collaboration; and

Whereas, the “Triangle Trails Initiative” recommends creating a network of linked trails and greenways that will, in the long term, provide transportation, exercise, leisure, safety, accessibility, recreation, community – aimed at enhancing the quality of life of community members served by these facilities; and

Whereas, many communities, agencies, and trail advocates in the region have taken a lead in planning and building local trails and greenways, and those efforts can be greatly enhanced by being connected to a larger regional network of trails; and

Whereas, trails and their green landscape areas help improve the quality of the air we breathe by preserving trees and vegetation, reduce congestion through promoting non-motorized transportation, and enhance the quality of our water through natural buffers mitigating the impacts of storm water run-off; and

Whereas, trails and greenways are freely accessible community assets offering opportunities for transportation, recreation and exercise to everyone, including children and families, providing safe places for county residents to experience a sense of community, and create stronger social ties; and

Whereas, the “Triangle Trails Initiative” intends to provide the foundation for a long term strategy that will continue to grow and to provide an invaluable resources for our children, grandchildren and great grandchildren; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Chatham County Board of Commissioners supports the concept of working within a regional framework to plan, design, and develop a network of linked greenways and trails within the Triangle region; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chatham County Board of Commissioners supports the formation of the “Triangle Trails Initiative” to serve in the capacity of assisting regional communities and partners to plan, design, and develop a network of linked greenways and trails within the Triangle region.

Adopted, this the 20th day of July, 2020.

Karen Howard, Chair
Chatham County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Lindsay K. Ray, NCCCC, Clerk to the Board
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