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**Resolution of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners**

**Proclaiming Chatham County (North Carolina) a Purple Heart County**

**WHEREAS**, the Purple Heart is awarded to Armed Forces members who have been wounded or killed while serving in the United States military against opposing armed forces; and

**WHEREAS**, the Purple Heart was established by General George Washington as a Badge of Military Merit on August 7, 1782, and was awarded to three Revolutionary War soldiers; and

**WHEREAS**, since its inception and through several wars and conflicts, the Purple Heart has been given to more than a million soldiers wounded or killed in action while serving our nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Military Order of the Purple of Heart works to *raise funds for service, welfare and rehabilitation work in connection with the members of the Military Order of the Purple Heart (a congressionally chartered veterans organization), those who are eligible for membership therein, or any wounded, disabled and/or handicapped veteran, his widow, orphan or survivor;* and

**WHEREAS**, there have been many Chatham County residents who made the ultimate sacrifice in giving their lives in the cause of freedom, including current residents who received the Purple Heart awardees and continue making contributions to our communities; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Chatham County Board of Commissioners joins the Military Order of the Purple Heart and other agencies and organizations in honoring all recipient of the Purple Heart, proclaims Chatham County as a Purple Heart County; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that we proclaims August 2014 as “Purple Heart Awardees Recognition Month” in Chatham County and encourages all residents to show support for those who have made such tremendous sacrifices and served with highest honor.

Adopted this the 4<sup>th</sup> Day of August 2014

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Walter Petty, Chairman  
Chatham County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

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Lindsay K. Ray, Clerk to the Board  
Chatham County Board of Commissioners