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To Whom It May Concern:

August 18, 2009

Re: Joint Proclamation

Enclosed, please find the Joint Proclamation signed by the Mayors of Fuquay-Varina, Garner, Holly Springs, and a late and welcome addition of the Mayor of Wake Forest.

This Proclamation is in support of adding an additional 42 new acute care hospital beds in Southern Wake County as was stated in our original petition.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this most important issue.

Sincerely:

**Dick Sears
Mayor of Holly Springs**

**cc: John W. Byrne, Mayor Fuquay-Varina
Ronnie Williams, Mayor Garner
Vivian Jones, Mayor Wake Forest
Carl Dean, Town Manager Holly Springs
Jenny Mizelle, Director of Economic Development Holly Springs**

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**A JOINT PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYORS
OF FUQUAY-VARINA, GARNER AND HOLLY SPRINGS
SUPPORTING ADDITIONAL ACUTE CARE BEDS FOR WAKE COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the mayors of the Towns of Garner, Fuquay-Varina and Holly Springs in Wake County, North Carolina, serve communities that have experienced tremendous population growth in the past decade; and

WHEREAS, as town officials, we have seen many instances where the growth rate in our portion of Wake County is far above and beyond the State average; and

WHEREAS, it is our position that approximately 90,000 citizens in Southern Wake County are underserved for hospital care and that this need was evidenced recently when more than 15,000 citizen letters of support for a hospital in our region were collected in just two weeks for the 2008 Certificate of Need hearing; and

WHEREAS, we believe the proposed 2010 JMFP Acute Inpatient Day Growth Factor is too low and does not reflect Wake County's actual growth and demand for acute care in-patient beds; and

WHEREAS, we understand that Governor Beverly Perdue has within her authority the ability to determine additional need in Wake County for hospital beds; and

WHEREAS, Gov. Perdue has expressed her goals of improving health care in North Carolina, to boost the economy and to increase employment opportunities; and

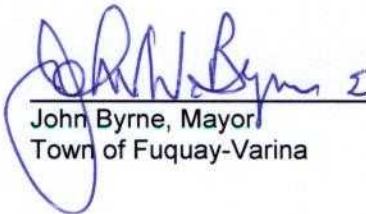
WHEREAS, a determination that additional hospital beds are needed in Wake County would serve to help meet all of those objectives without cost to taxpayers and to the extreme benefit of thousands of North Carolina residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, THE MAYORS OF FUQUAY-VARINA, GARNER AND HOLLY SPRINGS, NORTH CAROLINA IN WAKE COUNTY join together in respectfully requesting that Governor Beverly Perdue and her administration recognize the importance of this issue to thousands of our citizens and that it be determined and acknowledged that a need exists in Wake County – particularly in Southern Wake County – for 42 additional new acute care hospital beds.

Adopted this, the 18th day of August, 2009.



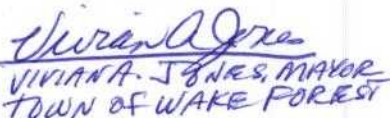
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VIVIANA JONES, MAYOR
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