

CHATHAM COUNTY RESOLUTIONS

1. RESOLUTION THANKING THE DEMOCRATIC CHATHAM COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (Bynum Precinct) WHEREAS, What is displayed in our public places should respect our values; and WHEREAS, The Democrats on the Chatham County Board of Commissioners have shown exceptional leadership in responding to citizens concerned about removing the Confederate statue in front of Pittsboro's Historic County Court House; and WHEREAS, The commissioners hosted several public comment sessions, patiently pursued available legal options, cared for the public safety of demonstrators, and showed courage in responding with respect and courtesy to all parties in a charged and sometimes hostile atmosphere; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That the Chatham County Democratic Party extend our sincere gratitude to our Democratic county commissioners for their efforts to remove the Confederate statue in front of Pittsboro's Historic County Court House.

2. RESOLUTION TO PROTECT DRINKING WATER (Bynum and Hadley Precincts) WHEREAS. The weakening of federal laws such as the U.S. Clean Water Act makes local and state action critical; and WHEREAS, Climate change brings threats to the quality of drinking water for Chatham County and our state; and WHEREAS, The Jordan Lake Rules (2009) to protect water quality have been delayed by the North Carolina Legislature, leaving this important drinking water supply for nearly 400,000 people vulnerable to increased pollution and algae blooms; and WHEREAS, Rapid development increases the amount of wastewater contaminating our sources for

drinking water; and WHEREAS, Industrial contaminants, sometimes called "forever chemicals," have been found in the Haw River, and to a lesser degree in Jordan Lake, in amounts considered unsafe by scientists; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That our elected officials strengthen laws at the local and state level to better protect our drinking water sources from pollution, specifically 1. Ensure that all new rules to protect water quality take into account and plan ahead for the threats that climate change will bring to our region. 2. Implement strong rules to protect Jordan Lake by reducing storm water and wastewater pollution of this important drinking water supply. 3. Increase the size of forested riparian buffers and strengthen regulations for storm water, sedimentation, and erosion. 4. Enact legally enforceable laws to limit the amount of "forever chemicals" in drinking water.