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**RESOLUTION BY THE HAYWOOD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS IN SUPPORT OF  
NORTH CAROLINA PAT McCRORY'S CONNECT NC BOND PROPOSALS**

WHEREAS, Governor Pat McCrory has proposed a \$2.85 billion bond initiative intended to connect North Carolina cities and towns in the 21<sup>st</sup> century by building road, upgrading technology, constructing and improving educational facilities, enhancing medical services, supporting our military installation, improving parks and recreational facilities, and building and improving port and rail infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, these investments, as proposed, are designed to benefit every community across this great State and will create jobs and improve the quality of life and environment for every North Carolinian; and

WHEREAS, beneficiaries will include colleges and universities, together with investment in new construction, repairs, and renovations to all of the community colleges, of those Haywood Community College receiving \$2,831,380; and \$110,000,000 for Western Carolina University; and

WHEREAS, \$4,500,000 will be invested on improvements on various hiking trails throughout the state, to include the Mountains-to-Sea Trail which runs along the Balsams in Haywood County; and

WHEREAS, no tax increase will be required to fund these bonds, and in addition, the State's Triple A bond rate will be preserved; and

WHEREAS, the Haywood County Board of Commissioners believe in the right of the citizens of Haywood County and of North Carolina to decide in March 2016 if they support such an initiative.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Haywood County Board of Commissioners do hereby support the \$ 2 Billion Connect NC Bond, that invests in North Carolina's future.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_ day of February, 2016.

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Chairman, Haywood County Board of County Commissioners

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Clerk to the Board