

**RESOLUTION
IN SUPPORT OF FUNDING FOR THE
PIEDMONT AUTHORITY FOR REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION**

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statutes Chapter 160A, Article 27 provided for the creation of the Piedmont Authority for Regional Transportation (PART); which became incorporated on the 17th day of July, 1998; and

WHEREAS, PART is working to enhance mobility and to sustain the quality of life in the Piedmont Triad region for all citizens and visitors to North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, PART has undertaken an aggressive Work Program which includes passenger rail studies, regional bus services, regional land use, transportation and air quality planning, land use and transportation planning for the Piedmont Triad International Airport area, management of the regional ridesharing and vanpooling services and coordination of the regional activities of the metropolitan planning organizations; and

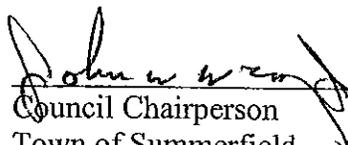
WHEREAS, PART has proposed a financial strategy to match federal and state grants and to operate and to provide regional transportation services over the next five (5) years totaling approximately \$3.15 million per year in local funds; and

WHEREAS, legislation adopted by the North Carolina General Assembly authorizes a regional public transportation authority to levy a privilege tax of up to five (5) percent on the gross receipts from short-term lease or rental of vehicles and motorcycles as a revenue source with prior approval of the affected County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the PART Board of Trustees has requested the Guilford County Board of Commissioners consent to PART the authority to levy a five (5) percent tax on the short-term lease or rental of vehicles and motorcycles as authorized by law to carry out its annual work program for the next five (5) years.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the Town of Summerfield supports PART's efforts to seek a dedicated funding source from the Guilford County Board of Commissioners, specifically the authority to levy a five (5) percent tax on the short-term lease or rental of vehicles and motorcycles as authorized by law.

A motion was made by JANE DOGGETT and seconded by CAROLYN COLLINS and adopted this the 2 day of October 2001.



Council Chairperson
Town of Summerfield

