



**Resolution Supporting the Call for a Referendum Regarding the Legal Sale of Alcoholic Beverages within the City of Asheboro**

**WHEREAS**, the Asheboro/Randolph Chamber of Commerce is organized to represent its members and promote an environment conducive to the economic growth and well being of the community and the businesses and citizens within it, and;

**WHEREAS**, a large group of community leaders and members of the Chamber of Commerce have expressed strong feelings that there is potential for significant economic impact in our community with the legalization of alcohol sales, and the resulting possible construction of new hotels, restaurants and other amenities, and;

**WHEREAS**, these new businesses would provide additional employment opportunities for the citizens of our community, many of which have become unemployed due to the numerous plant and business closings experienced during the past year, and;

**WHEREAS**, passage of a referendum would allow our local governments to realize additional revenue from property taxes paid by new businesses and increased revenue from additional sales tax which will help offset the need to increase the property taxes on our local citizens, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Chamber of Commerce recognizes there is currently a significant amount of interest among the citizens and the businesses of our community to be allowed to vote their preference regarding the legalization and control of alcohol sales in the City of Asheboro and that passage of such will open up additional opportunities for existing businesses and increase the potential for development of new ones while simultaneously providing our citizens and visitors with a broader choice in dining, shopping and other amenities normally associated with growing and progressive communities.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors of the Asheboro/Randolph Chamber of Commerce, supports the establishment of a referendum for the legalized control and sale of alcoholic beverages within the City of Asheboro and encourages members of the Asheboro City Council to call for such. Furthermore, the Chamber recognizes the potential for economic growth and encourages the citizens of Asheboro to vote for its passage.

Adopted this 13th day of May 2008

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