REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: January 2, 2007

SUBJECT: Blue Ribbon Committee on Illegal Immigration

ATTACHMENTS: No

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

At their December4, 2006 meeting, the Board of Commissioners reviewed a proposed charter to establish a Blue Ribbon Committee on Illegal Immigration. At that meeting the Board charged staff with bringing back a proposed group of members for the Committee.

Staff proposes the Committee be made up of eleven (11) members. At least five of the members should be citizens at large. An additional minimum of five members should be selected from the following various boards or agencies:

- Board of Social Services
- Board of Public Health
- Board of Public Education
- Blue Ridge Community College Board of Trustees
- Local Law Enforcement
- Pisgah Legal Services
- Faith community
- Business community
- Agriculture
- Latino/Hispanic Advocate
- Hospital(s)
- Senator Dole's office
- Red Cross
- Rescue Mission
- Salvation Army
- Municipalities
- Chamber of Commerce

The final member may be a citizen at large or an agency representative, at the Board's discretion.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

The Board is requested to discuss the proposed make-up of the Committee, and direct staff regarding the appointment of members to this Committee.

Suggested Motion:

Move that the Board proceed to request interested citizens to submit applications and place this Committee on Nominations at the January 17th meeting.