

**HENDERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: September 17, 2008

SUBJECT: Resolution in Support of new Veterans' Clinic in Henderson County

ATTACHMENTS: Yes
1. Resolution

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

On behalf of Henderson County's veterans, Henderson County Veterans Services Officer Mike Murdock submitted this resolution for the Board's consideration in support of a community medical clinic to be located in the future in Henderson County. A community clinic would provide greater access to care and provide a greater quality of care for our veterans closer to where they live.

Although Henderson County is under consideration by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs for a community-based outpatient clinic, a timeline has yet to be determined. It could very well be several years before a CBOC is built in Henderson County.

The resolution, if adopted, requests that Senators Dole and Burr and Representative Shuler use their greatest efforts to move this project forward expeditiously so that our Henderson County veterans will receive prompt and quality care in the near future.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

The Board is requested to approve the "Resolution in Support of a New Veterans' Clinic in Henderson County".

Suggested Motion:

I move that the Board of Commissioners approve the "Resolution in Support of a New Veterans' Clinic in Henderson County".

**RESOLUTION in SUPPORT OF NEW VETERANS' CLINIC IN
HENDERSON COUNTY**

Whereas, there are 11,700 veterans in Henderson County who presently received approximately \$30,460,000 annually in United States Department of Veterans Affairs benefits; and,

Whereas, these veterans must travel long distances to receive the health care provided to them at the four medical centers located in North Carolina; and,

Whereas, many times there are extremely long waits due to the number of veterans being served; and,

Whereas, the Henderson County Board of Commissioners is extremely proud of these Henderson County citizens who have served their country; and,

Whereas, the Henderson County Board of Commissioners believes there should be greater access to care for these veterans; and,

Whereas, a community clinic located in Henderson County would serve their needs and the needs of veterans in nearby counties and provide a greater quality of care closer to where they live.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Henderson County Board of Commissioners does strongly support the location of a community clinic in Henderson County;

And Be It Further Resolved that the Henderson County Board of Commissioners does request that Senators Dole and Burr and Representative Shuler use their greatest efforts to move this project forward expeditiously so that our Henderson County veterans will receive prompt and quality care in the near future.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2008.

ATTEST:

**William L. Moyer, Chairman
Henderson County Board of Commissioners**

**Elizabeth W. Corn
Clerk to the Board**