REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: November 18, 2009

SUBJECT: Proclamation – GIS Day in Henderson County

ATTACHMENTS: Yes

1.) Proclamation

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

The Henderson County Information Technology Department has requested that the Board adopt the attached Proclamation designating November 18th, 2009 as GIS Day in Henderson County.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

The Board is requested to adopt the attached Proclamation as presented.

SUGGESTED MOTION:

I move that the Board adopt the attached Proclamation designating November 18, 2009 as GIS Day in Henderson County.

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PROCLAMATION

- **WHEREAS**, Henderson County is located in the <u>Blue Ridge Mountains</u>, in a <u>broad</u> basin formed by the <u>French Broad River</u> and its tributaries. Its diverse geography of gentle mountains, fertile valleys and rich forests has played a pivotal role in its unique history; and
- WHEREAS, Geography Awareness Week is November 16 20, 2009; and
- WHEREAS, National Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Day is November 18, 2009; and
- **WHEREAS**, GIS is an important part of geography awareness, providing not only the study of maps, but also relationships among people, places and environments that are continuously being examined on local, national and global levels; and
- WHEREAS, Henderson County has GIS personnel in various departments that manage the complex systems providing GIS data that is critical to health, public safety, emergency management, disaster preparedness, economic development, and quality of life of our citizens; and
- **WHEREAS**, Henderson County GIS personnel are sponsoring an educational program with demonstrations on November 18, 2009, to further promote the study of geography and the use of Henderson County's GoMaps online GIS system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Henderson County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim November 18, 2009 as "**GIS Day**" in Henderson County.

FURTHERMORE, we commend the individuals and organizations that are involved in the field of geographic information systems, and extend our gratitude to all Henderson County GIS personnel for their commitment to providing GIS resources to meet the needs of the citizens of Henderson County.

Adopted this 18 th day of November, 2009.	
	WILLIAM L. MOYER, CHAIRMAN HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

TERESA L. WILSON, CLERK TO THE BOARD

ATTEST: