

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the citizens of South Carolina and of Beaufort County recognize the need to protect and preserve certain rural and critical lands; and

WHEREAS, the current requirements for the imposition of sales taxes within the State of South Carolina require that the specific use of such funds be identified as part of a capital projects referendum question placed before the voters; and

WHEREAS, by its very nature, rural and critical lands programs can not identify the lands to be acquired in advance with the degree of specificity required by the current legislation; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to provide to the voters the opportunity to include funds for rural and critical lands programs in sales tax referendums.


NOW, THEREFORE, County Council of Beaufort County hereby **RESOLVES** to support enactment of Legislation (amending current State law) which would allow, as an authorized purpose, the consideration of a local sales tax funding for established Rural and Critical Lands Preservation Programs without predetermination of properties to be considered for acquisition.

Adopted this 24th day of July, 2006.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY

By: 
Wm. Weston J. Newton, Chairman

ATTEST:


Suzanne M. Rainey, Clerk to Council