



RESOLUTION

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA WILMINGTON

WHEREAS, the University of North Carolina Wilmington recognizes that the Cross-City Trail and the River to the Sea Bikeway will contribute to quality of life for students and residents of the Cape Fear region by connecting a beach, businesses, colleges and universities, community centers, homes, libraries, major employers, museums, schools, parks, and regional attractions via an active transportation network; and

WHEREAS, these trails will provide a significant means of stimulating economic competitiveness by connecting residential areas to employment opportunities and jobs, commercial businesses and other community services and resources; and

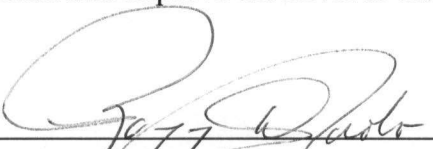
WHEREAS, these trails will ensure the sustainability of regional natural resources, using best management practices, public and student involvement and participation, and enhanced public education; and

WHEREAS, this regional solution will greatly enhance transportation options and improve livability and access to jobs, in particular to the economically distressed; and

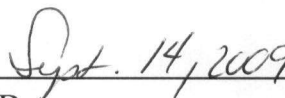
WHEREAS, these trails will provide a built environment which encourages healthy lifestyles and active living which is vital in the fight against the growing obesity epidemic; and

WHEREAS, these trails will be a model for cooperation and coordination by crossing local government boundaries in order to provide the current residents of the City of Wilmington, New Hanover County and the Town of Wrightsville Beach with a lasting, invaluable resource for future generations;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the University of North Carolina Wilmington supports the joint application by the City of Wilmington, University of North Carolina Wilmington, New Hanover County and the Town of Wrightsville Beach for TIGER Discretionary Grant funds to complete the Cross-City Trail and improve the River to the Sea Bikeway.



Rosemary DePaolo, Chancellor



Date

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