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Support Grows as Municipalities and Chamber of Commerce Adopt Sales Tax Resolutions

Wayne County, NC – Community support for the quarter cent sales tax continues this week as the Goldsboro City Council, Village of Walnut Creek Town Council, Wayne County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, and Wayne County Tourism Development Authority all passed resolutions in support of the referendum.

"Goldsboro City Council unanimously supports the County's proposed sales tax increase," said Mayor Pro Tem Bill Broadway. "Schools are the foundation for our growth and will be for years to come."

Wayne County Chamber of Commerce President & Executive Director Kate Daniels said, "The ¼ cent sales tax will enable our County to better leverage resources for funding the needed school projects county-wide. We are at least a decade behind our neighboring communities, and it's time to make the needed improvements as outlined through the approved project breakdown. Finally, we must keep in mind that we will always be in competition with neighboring communities. If we do not take action, we will lose any ability to attract business, industry, and qualified professionals moving in and improving a thriving economy."

If passed by voters on March 3, this sales tax referendum will allow Wayne County to begin work on \$32 million in public school facility improvements. To help citizens become more informed, the school district has launched an Informational Website (www.waynecountyschools.org/salestax.aspx) which includes an Interactive Map of School Projects, a Breakdown of School Projects & Estimated Costs, and a FAQ about the proposed sales tax.

