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Medical Facilities  
PLANNING SECTION

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A REQUEST FOR AN ADJUSTED NEED  
DETERMINATION TO DEVELOP AN END STAGE RENAL DISEASE  
TREATMENT CENTER IN MACON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**

**Whereas**, there currently exists in Macon County a lack of adequate convenient dialysis care; and,

**Whereas**, more than 30 current dialysis patients must travel out of the county over mountainous terrain, even during inclement weather, in order to receive treatment; and,

**Whereas**, current methodology for dialysis stations does not allow for the development of a dialysis facility to serve the end stage renal disease (ESRD) patient population of Macon County; and,

**Whereas**, the January 2011 Semiannual Dialysis Report states that Macon County has a deficit of eight dialysis stations, and indicates that the county's ESRD patient population is increasing at an average of 10 percent a year; and,

**Whereas**, a local dialysis facility will be more convenient, provide cost savings to dialysis patients and will potentially have a positive economic impact on the county; and,

**Whereas**, the State Health Coordinating Council has approved similar petitions in the past,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the Board of Commissioners for the County of Macon as follows:**

That the Board of Commissioners supports a petition to request an adjusted need determination to develop an end stage renal disease treatment center with eight dialysis stations in Macon County, and requests the North Carolina State Health Coordinating Council to consider this petition/determination as part of its 2012 State Medical Facilities Plan.

Adopted this the 14th day of June, 2011.

ATTEST: BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNTY OF MACON

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Brian McClellan, Chairman

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Jack Horton, Clerk to the Board

