REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: 6 February 2012

SUBJECT: ABC referendum

PRESENTER: Charles Russell Burrell

ATTACHMENT(S): Proposed resolution

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

In 2011 the Board determined that it wished to allow the voters of the County to consider the various options for alcoholic beverage sales in the unincorporated areas of the County. This is the resolution that actually requests the Board of Elections to hold the referendum, in the time frame set by the applicable statutes.

County staff will be available to present further information on this matter.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of the resolution.

If the Board is so inclined, the following motion is suggested:

I move that the Board approve the resolution attached to the agenda item.

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF HENDERSON COUNTY

WHEREAS, Henderson County has not held an election under the alcoholic beverage control laws of North Carolina in its unincorporated areas in over fifty years; and

WHEREAS, the demographics and population of Henderson County have changed drastically since the last such election; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Henderson County has determined that it would be proper to offer the choices available under North Carolina alcoholic beverage to its citizenry.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Board of Commissioners of Henderson County hereby requests the Board of Elections of Henderson County to hold an alcoholic beverage election for the following:

- a. Malt beverages under N.C. Gen. Stat. §18B -602(a)(1), (a)(2), (a)(3) and (a)(4).
- b. Unfortified wines under N.C. Gen. Stat. §18B-602(d)(1), (d)(2) and (d)(3).
- c. "ABC Stores", under N.C. Gen. Stat. §18B-602(g).
- d. Mixed beverages under N.C. Gen. Stat. §18B-602(h).

The Board further requests that this election be held on the date of the primary election in North Carolina, which date is more than sixty (60) days and not more than one hundred twenty (120) days from the date of this Resolution.

This the 6th day of February, 2012.

THOMAS H. THOMPSON, CHAIRMAN Henderson County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Teresa L. Wilson, Clerk to the Board