A RESOLUTION ALLOCATING FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE ROUNTABLE DISCUSSION ON HOMELESSNESS Resolution No. 48/2004-05

WHEREAS, the Town of Carrboro understands how important the issue of homelessness is to the broader Orange County community and supports the concept of long-range planning to address the issue of homelessness; and

WHEREAS, the Roundtable Committee has planned an agenda for a roundtable discussion to be held on November 18, 2004 at the Church of the Latter Day Saints that is to be facilitated by Andy Sachs; and

WHEREAS, the information from the roundtable discussion will be used by the community to develop a long-range plan with the ultimate goal of assisting people to work their way out of homelessness to a position of self-sufficiency.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CARRBORO MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN:

Section 1. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen support this project hereby approves a request from Mayor Kevin Foy of Chapel Hill by providing \$333.33 to pay for a third of the cost of the facilitator for this project.

Section 2. This resolution shall become effective upon adoption.



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October 12, 2004

Mike Nelson, Mayor Town of Carrboro 301 W. Main Street Carrboro, NC 27510

Dear Mike:

Last fall Triangle-area elected officials were briefed on the 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness initiative sponsored by the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness. Attendees were asked to begin similar planning in their localities. Our counterparts in Wake County along with the Triangle United Way have developed a program that incorporates public forums and action-oriented workshops. For more information about their program you may visit www.raleigh-nc.org and click on end homelessness in the lower left hand corner of the page.

At our Town Council Planning Session on January 17, 2004, the Council received a report from Councilmember Greene regarding the 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness. Following that presentation the Council agreed to add a public dialogue on homelessness to its list of goals for 2004. Councilmember Greene and I agreed to lead this initiative.

In May, my office sent a letter to the County Commissioners about partnering to sponsor a Roundtable Discussion on Homelessness in Orange County. Commissioner Jacobs and the County staff suggested a committee be organized with members from each of the governing bodies. The group began meeting on June 24, 2004. Members include James Harris (Town of Carrboro), Sharron Hinton (Orange County), Tara Fikes (Orange County), Loryn Barnes (Chapel Hill), Emily Dickens (Chapel Hill), Linda Tuday (Triangle United Way), Chris Moran (IFC), Kristin Lavergne (IFC), Bille Guthrie (OPC Mental Health/Orange County Continuum of Care).

The Roundtable Committee proposes to hold the Roundtable Discussion on Homelessness on November 18, 2004 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints on Airport Road from 8:30 a.m. until noon. The group has determined the following goals for this event:

1. To educate the community by dispelling myths and putting a face on the homeless,

2. To develop a long-term plan to end homelessness in Orange County

3. To encourage personal responsibility by inviting the community to address this issue individually

Invitations will be mailed to individuals and community groups that currently provide services to the homeless. In addition, registration is open to the public. The members of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints will provide a continental breakfast for the participants. The Roundtable Planning Committee requests the following support from the Board of Aldermen in order to complete planning for this event:

1. <u>Attendance</u>- We hope that you will be able to attend and participate in the discussion. We would also like Mayor Nelson or a designee to offer welcoming remarks.

2. Facilitator's Fee-\$1000

- a. Andy Sachs of the Dispute Settlement Center has agreed to provide assistance including meeting design, consultation and facilitation services. The fee is \$75/hour. Mr. Sachs estimates nine (9) hours of preparation time for the event plus three (3) hours at the event. In addition up to three additional facilitators will cover breakout groups at no additional cost.
- b. We are requesting that the Town of Carrboro pay one-third of this fee.
- c. We are requesting that the contract for services be between Mr. Sachs and the Town of Chapel Hill for the entire fee and then the Town will request reimbursement for Carrboro and Orange County.

3. Web Support

- a. Online registration will provide easy access to the public. Since this is a Chapel Hill Town Council goal, the group proposes that a registration link for this event be added to the Town of Chapel Hill website. This would also include assignment of a registration e-mail address (homelessroundtable@townofchapelhill.org). We are requesting that you post information on your website directing visitors to the Town's website for more information.
- 4. Other Financial Support- The Triangle United Way has signed on as a sponsor for this event and will donate \$300 towards costs associated with this event.

Last night, the Chapel Hill Town Council approved funding for this event and agreed to contract with Andy Sachs for his services. I hope you will agree to fund one-third of the facilitator's cost and actively participate in this event.

Sincerely.

Kevin C. Fov

Homelessness Roundtable Discussion November 18, 2004 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints-Airport Road

GOALS:

- 1. Community Education: dispelling myths and putting a face on the homeless
- 2. Long-term plan to end homelessness: begin work on developing a plan in Orange County
- 3. Personal responsibility: encouraging the community to address this issue individually

AGENDA

- I. Welcome and Introductions
 - a. Commissioner Barry Jacobs
 - b. Mayor Kevin Foy
 - c. Alderman Alex Zaffron
 - d. Craig Chancellor
 - II. Needs and Challenges Facing the Homeless
 - a. Ending Homelessness PowerPoint Presentation Ken Maness, City of Raleigh Planning Department
 - b. Panel Discussion
 - i. Martha Are Human Services
 - ii. David Hood- Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
 - iii. Raney Norwood- IFC Shelter Coordinator
 - III. Homelessness in Orange County
 - a. Video Presentation
 - b. Public Discussion
 - IV. Break-Out Groups
 - a. Group A- Community Ownership for Ending Homelessness
 - b. Group B-Preventing Homelessness
 - c. Group C- Moving people from homelessness toward self-sufficiency
 - V. A Call to ACTION