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Adopted this the 11th day of March, 1991.

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Attest
Linda Cable, Clerk to the
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SECTION X. SEVERABILITY

Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this resolution and ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, the remainder of the resolution and ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION XI. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance becomes effective upon adoption.

Adopted this the 11th day of March, 1991.

Donald Bunn, Chairman
Swain County Board of Commissioners

Attest

Linda Cable, Clerk to the
Swain County Board of Commissioners