



**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE
\$2 BILLION CONNECT NC BOND
FOR EDUCATION, AGRICULTURE, PARKS, WATER & SEWER, AND SECURITY**

WHEREAS, North Carolina has seen its population grow by 2 million people since 2000; and

WHEREAS, the Connect NC Bond recognizes the need to repair and expand existing infrastructure to ensure we can meet the demands of our growing population, continue to create new jobs, and grow our economy; and

WHEREAS, our higher education systems of community colleges and public universities are primary drivers of job creation in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, \$1.3 billion will be invested across the state's public higher education community for capital construction, repair, and renovation; and

WHEREAS, the University of North Carolina system will receive more than \$1 billion for targeted capital investments, with a heavy focus on facilities for STEM fields and health professions, as well as critical renovations and repairs to other important academic facilities; and

WHEREAS, these investments will help the University continue to meet the state's economic, scientific, health care, and workforce needs; and

WHEREAS, the state's community colleges also will benefit from new construction, repairs, and renovations; and

WHEREAS, nearly \$700 million will be invested in other critical needs including the National Guard, 48 state parks and the NC Zoo, and water and sewer projects statewide;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the University of North Carolina Board of Governors supports the \$2 Billion Connect NC Bond that invests in North Carolina's future, and urges all North Carolinians to Vote Yes in the Primary Election on Tuesday, March 15, 2016.

Unanimously Adopted this 4th day of March 2016.

W. Louis Bissette, Jr., *Chairman*

Joan Templeton Perry, *Secretary*