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A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LOCAL CONTROL OF LOCAL ABC BOARDS AND
OPPOSING FORCED MERGERS OF LOCAL ABC BOARDS

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS OF BUNN VOTED TO PERMIT THE SALE OF SPIRITUOUS
LIQUOR THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BUNN ABC BOARD, WHICH IS
PART OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE CONTROL SYSTEM:

WHEREAS, SB 839/HB 768-MODERNIZATION OF THE ABC SYSTEM WOULD
REQUIRE ALL ABC BOARDS IN A COUNTY TO MERGE, ALLOW THE STATE ABC
COMMISSION TO MERGE COUNTY-WIDE BOARDS INTO REGIONAL BOARDS,
REQUIRE THE ABC COMMISSION TO DEVELOP PERFORMANCE STANDARDS,
ALLOW THE ABC COMMISSION TO CLOSE OR MERGE ABC BOARDS, CLOSE ABC
STORES WITH LOW PROFITABILITY, CONTRACT DIRECTLY WITH AGENCY STORES
FOR THE SALE OF SPIRITS WHERE ABC STORES ARE AUTHORIZED BUT NOT IN
OPERATION, AND REQUIRE AN ABC BOARD TO CONTRACT WITH AN AGENCY
STORE;

WHEREAS, IT IS A LOCAL DECISION TO ESTABLISH AND OPERATE AN ABC
STORE AND ANY DECISION TO MERGE AN ABC BOARD SHOULD BE MADE BY
THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BASED ON LOCAL CIRCUMSTANCES, AND NOT BY
THE STATE.

WHEREAS, A LOCAL GOVERNMENT BALANCES CONTROL, PROFITS AND
AVAILABILITY OF SPIRITS IN OPERATING ABC STORES.

WHEREAS, THE DECISION BY A LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO OPERATE WITH A LOW
PROFIT MARGIN DOES NOT REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF LIQUOR EXCISE TAX
RECEIVED BY THE STATE, SO THE STATE DOES NOT HAVE A FINANCIAL INTEREST
IN THE PROFITABILITY OF ABC STORES.

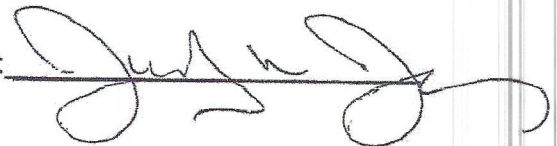
WHEREAS, AN "AGENCY STORE" IS A PRIVATE RETAIL SELLER, AND THE
CITIZENS OF BUNN WHEN VOTING TO PERMIT THE OPERATION OF ABC STORES,
DID NOT VOTE TO ALLOW LIQUOR TO BE SOLD IN SUCH PRIVATE OFF-PREMISE
RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS;

WHEREAS, SALES OF LIQUOR MAY NOT BE WELL-REGULATED IN AGENCY
STORES, THEREBY POTENTIALLY CREATING LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OTHER
PROBLEMS, BUNN DESIRES TO RETAIN NORTH CAROLINA'S CONTROL SYSTEM
OVER THE SALES OF SPIRITS AND TO CONTINUE TO MAKE SPIRITS AVAILABLE
TO ITS CITIZENS ONLY THROUGH ITS ABC STORE(S);

WHEREAS, NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BUNN ABC BOARD
THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF THE BUNN ABC STORE (S)
THROUGH THE CONTROL SYSTEM SHOULD BE A LOCAL DECISION AND THAT
THE BUNN ABC BOARD, OPPOSES ANY STATE MANDATE TO MERGE ABC BOARDS
MANDATE THE MERGER OR CLOSING OF ABC STORES AND OPPOSES
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AGENCY STORES.

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ATTEST:



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