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Resolution of Support
Extended Area Service

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- WHEREAS, the Pender County Board of Education operates an elementary school, a middle school, and a high school in Hampstead, North Carolina, and
- WHEREAS, many of the students attending those three schools reside in northeast Pender County, Surf City, and Topsail Beach, and
- WHEREAS, communication between teachers, administrators, parents, and students by telephone is an essential element in the educational process, and
- WHEREAS, such calls are long distance for both the schools and the homes, and the cost of communication by parents to the schools is often a financial deterrent, and
- WHEREAS, Topsail High School will be "on-line" with the NC Information Highway in the fall of 1994 and could benefit further from direct access to the Internet, and
- WHEREAS, designation of the Hampstead-Surf City-Topsail Beach areas for Extended Area Service would remove those barriers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Pender County Board of Education urges the Public Utilities Commission to grant an exception to the Topsail Island-Hampstead-Scotts Hill-Wilmington area for Extended Area Service study.

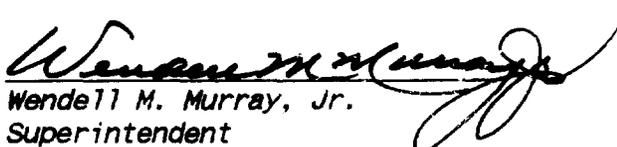
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Pender County Board of Education pledges its support to the Public Utilities Commission and the two telephone companies serving this school district in providing essential information for any study that would lead to Extended Area Service for our schools.

RESOLVED THIS 9TH DAY OF MAY 1994.

CHAIRMAN:


J. L. Giddeons
Pender County Board of Education

ATTEST:


Wendell M. Murray, Jr.
Superintendent
Pender County Schools

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