

# LEE COUNTY

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## RESOLUTION OPPOSING NATURAL GAS EXTRACTION AND THE NORTH CAROLINA MINING AND ENERGY COMMISSION'S DRAFT RULES

WHEREAS, the North Carolina General Assembly directed the Mining and Energy Commission to draft rules ("the draft rules") concerning the extraction of natural gas in this State; and,

WHEREAS, the North Carolina General Assembly, in its current legislative session, will be considering whether to approve such draft rules as proposed by the Mining and Energy Commission; and,

WHEREAS, the Lee County Board of Commissioners feels that the draft rules do not adequately protect our environment, our County, or our State; and,

WHEREAS, in addition to the effects on the environment, neither legislation nor the draft rules provide any compensation to Lee County, or any other county affected by hydraulic fracturing, for the impact of natural gas extraction on both the local economy and infrastructure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lee County Board of Commissioners oppose the extraction of natural gas in Lee County and in North Carolina for the following reasons:

- 1) The draft rules do not adequately protect the environment of our State and do not promote the welfare of the citizens of Lee County or of the State of North Carolina.
- 2) The legislation and draft rules remove all local authority with respect to the extraction of natural gas and fail to provide local governments with compensation, either direct or indirect, for the impact of the extraction on local economies and infrastructure.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lee County Board of Commissioners asks its local delegation to oppose the rules drafted by the Mining and Energy Commission in order to preserve the safety and welfare of the citizens of Lee County and the State of North Carolina. The Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners shall deliver copies of this resolution to the Honorable Patrick McCrory, Governor of North Carolina, the Honorable Tim Moore, Speaker of the North Carolina House of Representatives, the Honorable Phil Berger, President Pro Tempore of the North Carolina Senate, the Honorable Brad Salmon, Lee County State House Representative and the Honorable Ronald J. Rabin, Lee County State Senate Representative. In addition, copies of this resolution are to be delivered to the Honorable Mayor Chet Man, the Sanford City Council, the Honorable Mayor Donald Andrews and the Town Council of Broadway.

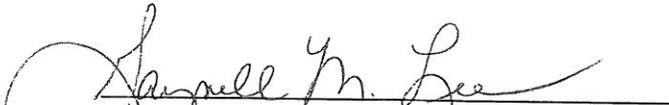
Adopted this 2nd of February, 2015.



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Amy M. Dalrymple, Chair  
Lee County Board of Commissioners

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