

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A NEW LIBRARY FOR THE TOWN OF ABERDEEN

WHEREAS, the Town of Aberdeen is growing in population and needs improved access to modern library facilities for cultural and educational activities; and

WHEREAS, the current library, Page Memorial Library, is a one hundred and seven year old historical building that is restricted in size and unable to be expanded to meet the educational, cultural, or general needs of the citizens of Aberdeen and Moore County; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Aberdeen and the County of Moore are working to upgrade the area's appeal to attract more businesses and residents and a new library will contribute to the area's appeal; and

WHEREAS, a new library will contribute to the evolving needs of citizens, educational needs of children, and quality of life for citizens in the Town of Aberdeen and Moore County; and

WHEREAS, a new library would be a part of the Sandhills Regional Library System and would offer services and access to all citizens of Moore County; and

WHEREAS, Page Memorial Library is the second oldest continuous use library in the State of North Carolina and, at the discretion of the Town of Aberdeen, should remain an element of the Sandhills Regional Library System in some capacity.

NOW THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, the Moore County Board of Commissioners does hereby endorse the efforts of The Friends of the Aberdeen Library to establish a new library in the Town of Aberdeen for use by the citizens and children of Aberdeen and Moore County.

Adopted this 17th day of March 2015.

Nick J. Picerno, Chairman

Moore County Board of Commissioners

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MOORE COUNTY LIBRARY

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April 15, 2015

To The Friends of the Aberdeen Library:

Page Memorial Library, located in Aberdeen, joined the Moore County and Sandhill Regional Library Systems in 1984. Although charming and of historical interest, the facility, which was built in 1907, lacks the space for programming of any kind. There is no room for additional public computers or for the collection to expand. Because of the building's age, ADA compliancy is also a challenge.

Recognizing all of these barriers to providing superior library services, the Moore County Library Board of Trustees is pleased to endorse The Friends of the Aberdeen Library in their quest for a new building to serve the Town of Aberdeen and its surrounding areas.

An all-volunteer, non-profit organization, the Friends of the Aberdeen Library clearly recognize that public libraries are essential for the education, economic development, research, and recreation of the people of Moore County. The Moore County Library Board of Trustees heartly support your efforts and look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincereby.

Richard Rodda, Chairman

Moore County Library Board of Trustees