

ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF
THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE
NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY**

WHEREAS, the Charlotte City Council, on February 21, 2016, approved amendments to the city's Non-Discrimination Ordinance; and,

WHEREAS, the Council added marital and familial status, sexual orientation, gender expression and gender identity to the list of protected characteristics in the existing Non-Discrimination Ordinance; and,

WHEREAS, the Orange County Code of Ordinances currently prohibits discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, familial status, and veteran status; and,

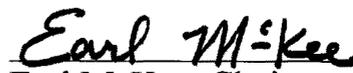
WHEREAS, Orange County supports a community where all people are treated fairly, valued and accepted; and,

WHEREAS, Orange County stands with those who struggle against social injustice; and,

WHEREAS, Orange County supports the right of local governments to articulate their own community values of inclusion without interference or suppression by the General Assembly;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Orange County Board of Commissioners does hereby support the Non-Discrimination Policy implemented by the Charlotte City Council and join them in striving for social justice for all.

This the 22nd day of March 2016



Earl McKee, Chair
Orange County Board of Commissioners