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RESOLUTION ENDORSING AND SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A STATE PARK ON LAKE NORMAN AND URGING OTHER MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNING BODIES IN MECK-LENBURG, IREDELL, CATAWBA AND LINCOLN COUNTIES TO DO LIKEWISE.

WHEREAS, park and recreation programs are becoming increasingly important to the well-being of our urbanized society, contributing to both physical and mental health; and

WHEREAS, the use of leisure time in the healthy and happy pursuits of recreation constitutes constructive measures against the rise of crime and juvenile delinguency, and

WHEREAS, there is a concentration of almost one-half million people in the counties of Mecklenburg, Iredell, Catawba, and Lincoln, each touching on the new Lake Norman, and representing the heaviest concentration of population in our State; and

WHEREAS, it is reasonable to expect the population of these counties alone to exceed three quarters of a million within the next twenty years, making even greater demands for park and recreation facilities; and

WHEREAS, the opportunity now present for the establishment of a State Park on the shores of Lake Norman may be lost forever unless prompt and farsighted action is taken immediately;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Charlotte City Council endorse and work for the establishment of a State Park on Lake Norman and urge other municipal and County governing bodies in this four-county area to do likewise.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Terry Sanford, the Department of Conservation and Development, members of the State Park Committee, the Duke Power Company, and to the Mayors and Chairmen of County Boards in the counties named above.

Read, approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carôlina, convened on the 2nd day of April, 1962, the reference having been made in Minute Book 41, at Page 403, and recorded in full in Resolutions Book 4, at Page 187.

> Lillian R. Hoffman City Clerk