

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

ITEM NO. 9.

DATE OF MEETING: February 1, 2010

REQUESTED BY: F.D. Rivenbark, Commissioner

SHORT TITLE: Resolution Adopting a Statement of Support for the National Guard and Reserve

BACKGROUND: Mr. Rivenbark has requested that the Board adopt a Statement of Support for the National Guard and Reserve, recognizing the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED: The Board is requested to adopt the attached Statement of Support for the National Guard and Reserve. As well, the Board is requested to recognize the following County employees who are currently, or previously, served in the National Guard and Reserve:

DSS:	Janet Martinez – Navy
	Jamie Newkirk – Army
	Leanora Corbett – Retired Army
	Lisa Worley – Former Army
	Monica Murray – Former Navy
Public Works:	Paul Parker – Retired Navy
Sheriff:	James Evans – Active – National Guard – Currently in Iraq

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

Respectfully recommend approval.

JB
Initial

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Pender County Board of Commissioners that

the attached Statement of Support for the National Guard and Reserve is hereby adopted. The Chairman/County Manager is authorized to execute any document necessary to implement this resolution.

AMENDMENTS:

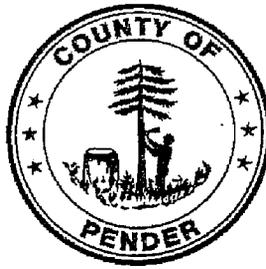
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YEA VOTES: Tate ___ Blanchard ___ Brown ___ Rivenbark ___ Williams ___

Jimmy T. Tate, Chairman 02/01/10
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STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR THE NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVE

Pender County recognizes the National Guard and Reserve are essential to the strength of our nation and the well-being of our communities.

In the highest American tradition, the patriotic men and women of the Guard and Reserve serve voluntarily in an honorable and vital profession. They train to respond to their community and their county in time of need. They deserve the support of every segment of our society.

If these volunteer forces are to continue to serve our nation, increased public understanding is required of the essential role of the Guard and Reserve in preserving our national security.

Therefore, Pender County joins other employers in pledging that:

- We fully recognize, honor and enforce the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA).
- Our managers and supervisors will have the tools they need to effectively manage those employees who serve in the Guard and Reserve.
- We will continually recognize and support our country's service members and their families in peace, in crisis, and in war.

This 1st day of February, 2010.

Jimmy T. Tate, Chairman

Rick Benton, County Manager