RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT NORTH CAROLINA’S EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT GOAL AS DEVELOPED BY MYFUTURENC

WHEREAS, North Carolina Association of County Commissioners is committed to empowering 100 counties to work together for the betterment of one state;

WHEREAS, North Carolina Association of County Commissioners, along with other key partners, will help advance the educational attainment of students in North Carolina by supporting and promoting the well-being of all North Carolina counties through advocacy, education, research and member services;

WHEREAS, North Carolina Association of County Commissioners acknowledges that North Carolina faces a gap between the projected needs for citizens with high-quality credentials or postsecondary degrees and the attainment of those high-quality credentials or postsecondary degrees;

WHEREAS, in 2019, the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners President and Yadkin County Board Chair Kevin Austin appointed the “Pathways Task Force” to develop recommendations for counties to improve access to post-secondary education and training, particularly for youth who are neither working, nor in school;

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners and the Pathways Task Force established a partnership with myFutureNC, a statewide, non-profit organization focused on the goal that two million North Carolinians will have a high-quality credential or postsecondary degree by the year 2030;

WHEREAS, myFutureNC is the result of cross-sector collaboration between North Carolina leaders in education, business and government;

WHEREAS, the North Carolina General Assembly passed legislation with strong bipartisan support, codifying myFutureNC’s educational attainment goal, which was signed into law on June 26, 2019;

WHEREAS, myFutureNC’s mission is broadly supported by other statewide organizations, which have adopted its educational attainment goal, including the UNC Board of Governors, the State Board of Community Colleges, NCWorks Commission, the North Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities, the State Board of Education, and Governor Roy Cooper’s Education Cabinet;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners supports myFutureNC’s educational attainment goal that two million North Carolinians should have a high-quality credential or postsecondary degree by the year 2030;

AND FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners along with leaders in business, education, state and local government, and community organizations will continue to foster partnerships to achieve the goal.

Adopted this 12th day of August 2020 by North Carolina Association of County Commissioners.

Kevin Austin, President
North Carolina Association of County Commissioners