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RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY'S (TVA) ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS AND ALTERNATIVE FORMULATED TO ELIMINATE FLOATING HOUSES AND NON-NAVIGABLE HOUSEBOATS ON LAKE FONTANA

WHEREAS, TVA is a large federal land owner in Western North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, TVA started an environmental process in April 2014 to study the impacts and concerns for safety, sanitation, water quality and fair use of public lands and reservoirs in the TVA system; and

WHEREAS, TVA has formulated a recommendation that is proposed to be presented to the TVA Board of Directors on May 5, 2016 that calls for removal of all floating houses and non-navigable houseboats within 20 years; and

WHEREAS, upon approval of the policy by the TVA Board of Directors and following the public comment period, final rules will be published in the Federal Register; and

WHEREAS, citizens and residents of Haywood County benefit economically from the use of houseboats on Lake Fontana; and

WHEREAS, the proposed recommendation would negatively impact Western North Carolina's recreation and economic development opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Swain County, North Carolina has passed a resolution in opposition to the same;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

The Haywood County Board of Commissioners opposes the alternative developed by the TVA and further resolves that the TVA Board of Directors eliminate this alternative from consideration.

This the 2nd day of May, 2016.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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