

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF NEW KENT
VIRGINIA**

R-49-12

At the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of New Kent in the Boardroom of the Administration Building in New Kent, Virginia, on the 9th day of October, 2012.

Present:	Vote:
C. Thomas Tiller, Jr.	Aye
Ron Stiers	Aye
W. R. "Ray" Davis, Jr.	Aye
Thomas W. Evelyn	Aye
James H. Burrell	Aye

Motion was made by Mr. Davis, which carried 5:0 to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE
COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ON EMINENT DOMAIN**

WHEREAS, the New Kent County Board of Supervisors states that this County was founded on the principal of private property rights and this has become an important aspect of the American dream; and

WHEREAS, the United States Supreme Court has indicated that the use of eminent domain laws are a State's rights issue; and

WHEREAS, the government taking of privately owned property should be limited to the need for public use projects only; and

WHEREAS, citizens should be adequately compensated when their property is taken for government use including loss of use and/or income; and

WHEREAS, both the Commonwealth of Virginia House of Delegates and the Senate have twice passed an amendment to the Constitution of Virginia regarding eminent domain; and

WHEREAS, the constitutional amendment will be on the November 6, 2012 ballot for approval by a majority of the voters in Virginia;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the New Kent County Board of Supervisors does hereby support this constitutional amendment restricting the use of eminent domain in the Commonwealth and encourages its citizens to vote yes on the ballot in November.



Rodney A. Hathaway
Acting County Administrator



James H. Burrell
Chairman