

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

**R-27-12**

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 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2012:

<u>Present:</u>	<u>Vote:</u>
Thomas W. Evelyn	Aye
C. Thomas Tiller, Jr.	Aye
Ron Stiers	Nay
W.R. Davis, Jr.	Aye
James H. Burrell	Aye

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Motion was made by Mr. Evelyn, which carried 4:1, to adopt the following resolution:

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF  
THE PORT OF VIRGINIA  
ECONOMIC AND INFRASTRUCTURE  
DEVELOPMENT ZONE GRANT PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the Port of Virginia – sustaining 343,000 jobs and generating over \$41 billion in revenues, \$13 billion in payroll, and \$1.2 billion in tax revenue – is one of the Commonwealth’s greatest economic assets; and

**WHEREAS**, the Port of Virginia, despite its recent challenges brought on by the economic recession, is projected to undergo significant growth in the coming years with the completion of the Panama Canal Extension Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the Port of Virginia cannot achieve this growth without the development of the distribution, intermodal, manufacturing, warehousing, and other supply chain facilities necessary to support port operations; and

**WHEREAS**, driving the development of these facilities to specific areas can help reduce congestion in the Hampton Roads region; and

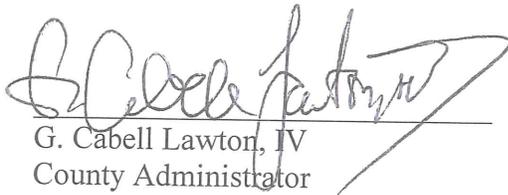
**WHEREAS**, Governor McDonnell is proposing to create the Port of Virginia Economic and Infrastructure Development Zone Grant Program, which will incentive

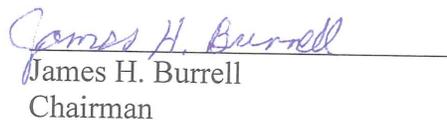
companies involved in maritime commerce and that import and export goods through the Port of Virginia to locate in Virginia; and

**WHEREAS**, creation of this grant program is estimated to have an economic impact of \$7.3 billion, sustaining 14,120 jobs in the Route 460 Corridor and \$5.7 billion, sustaining 11,255 in the Hampton Roads area; and

**WHEREAS**, creation of this grant program will bring much needed jobs and economic development to our community; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the New Kent County Board of Supervisors that it supports the establishment of the Port of Virginia Economic and Infrastructure Development Zone Grant Program and respectfully requests the House of Delegates and the Senate of Virginia to approve Governor McDonnell's proposed amendments to the 2013 – 2014 Appropriations Act establishing this zone.

  
G. Cabell Lawton, IV  
County Administrator

  
James H. Burrell  
Chairman