

In November, 2001 the County will hold a special election to provide the citizens an opportunity to approve a \$28 million school bond referendum. These funds will be used to build two new elementary schools to replace two over crowded, aging facilities. Also included are auditoriums at two of the County's high schools as well as roof replacements at five schools. It is projected that the debt can be repaid through the existing revenues of the Debt Service Fund and not require any tax increase or General Fund monies to service the debt.

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners has considered the Certificate of Canvass of the Craven County Board of Elections canvassing the referendum held for the Commissioners and has canvassed the result of said Special Election; NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Craven that it be and hereby is certified and declared that the number of voters registered and qualified to vote at said Special Election was 56,524.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that it be and hereby is certified and declared that the total number of voters who voted "YES" in answer to the question, "SHALL the order authorizing \$28,000,000 of bonds secured by a pledge of the faith and credit of the County of Craven to pay capital costs of providing and improving school facilities in the County, including construction of elementary schools and improvement and renovation of existing schools, and including acquisition and installation of furnishings and equipment and acquisition of land or rights-in-land required therefor, and a tax to be levied for the payment thereof, be approved?," was 6,963. The total number of voters who voted "NO" in answer to such question was 3,993.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a statement substantially in the form hereinafter set forth declaring the result of said election shall be prepared, delivered to the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners for filing and recordation and published in accordance with law:

## **STATEMENT OF RESULT OF SPECIAL ELECTION HELD FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAVEN NOVEMBER 6, 2001**

**WHEREAS**, by direction of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Craven, in the State of North Carolina, a special election was duly called and held for said County on November 6, 2001 for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of said County the questions hereinafter set forth, and the said Board of Commissioners has received from the Craven County Board of Elections certifications of the results of the election, and has determined the result of said election to be as hereinafter stated; NOW, THEREFORE,

The Board of Commissioners hereby makes the following statement of the result of said election pursuant to The Local Government Bond Act:

(1) The number of voters registered and qualified to vote at said election was 56,524.

(2) The total number of voters who voted "YES" in answer to the question, "SHALL the order authorizing \$28,000,000 of bonds secured by a pledge of the faith and credit of the County of Craven to pay capital costs of providing and improving school facilities in the County, including construction of elementary schools and improvement and renovation of existing schools, and including acquisition and installation of

furnishings and equipment and acquisition of land or rights-in-land required therefor, and a tax to be levied for the payment thereof, be approved?" was 6,963. The total number of voters who voted "NO" in answer to such question was 3,993. The question in the form submitted was approved by the affirmative vote of a majority of those who voted thereon at said election.

Any action or proceeding challenging the regularity or validity of this bond referendum must be begun within 30 days after November 20, 2001.

**CERTIFICATION OF CANVASS OF  
THE CRAVEN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS  
FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION  
OF THE  
COUNTY OF CRAVEN  
ON THE 6TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2001**

WE, the undersigned Chairman and Members of the Craven County Board of Elections, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that we met on November 9, 2001 at the hour of 11:00 o'clock, A.M., in the office of the Board of Elections in New Bern, North Carolina, to canvass the returns of the special election held in the County of Craven on November 6, 2001, and that the result of such canvass is as follows:

1. The total number of voters who voted "YES" in answer to the question, "SHALL the order authorizing \$28,000,000 of bonds secured by a pledge of the faith and credit of the County of Craven to pay capital costs of providing and improving school facilities in the County, including construction of elementary schools and improvement and renovation of existing schools, and including acquisition and installation of furnishings and equipment and acquisition of land or rights-in-land required therefor, and a tax to be levied for the payment thereof be approved?", was 6,963. The total number of voters who voted "NO" in answer to such question was 3,993.
2. All persons voting at said election were required to use ballots or ballot labels setting forth the questions to be voted in the form prescribed by the Board of Commissioners of the County.
3. Only the persons who had been duly registered were permitted to vote at said election. The total number of voters who registered and qualified to vote at said election was 56,524.
4. The polls for said election were opened at the polling places in the County on November 6, 2001, at the hour of 6:30 o'clock A.M., and were closed at the hour of 7:30 o'clock, P.M. on that day.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, we have set our hands for the purpose of certifying the result of the special election held for the County of Craven on November 6, 2001 to the Board of Commissioners of the County of Craven, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2001.