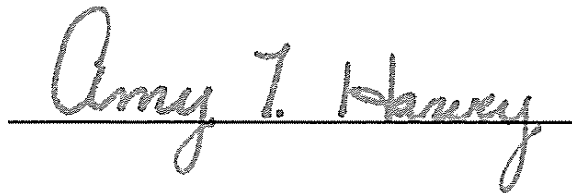


**I, Amy T. Harvey, Deputy Town Clerk of the Town of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of (2021-04-21/R-0.1) adopted by the Chapel Hill Town Council on April 21, 2021.**

**This the 22nd day of April, 2021.**

  
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**Amy T. Harvey  
Deputy Town Clerk**



**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING PASSAGE OF SENATE BILL 349, INCREASE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES, AND SUPPORTS THE WORK OF METRO MAYORS, THE NORTH CAROLINA LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO STUDY AND ADVANCE THOUGHTFUL AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND LAND USE POLICY OPTIONS. (2021-04-21/R-0.1)**

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2021 Senate Bill 349 (SB 349) was introduced into the North Carolina General Assembly with the stated goal of increasing housing opportunities across the state; and

WHEREAS, if approved, SB 349 would drastically reduce the zoning authority of local governments and severely restrict the conditional zoning tool which our town relies on to advance important town goals – including the creation and preservation of affordable housing - during the development application and review process; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Chapel Hill has long used town planning and zoning as an important tool for fostering an inclusive community, supporting environmental sustainability, creating a connected transportation network and building a robust economy; and

WHEREAS, on December 9, 2020, the Chapel Hill Town Council adopted a new Future Land Use Map (FLUM), the culmination of three and half years of work which updates the Chapel Hill 2020 Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the FLUM outlines strategies and goals for future land use and development through the year 2050 and underscores our commitment to ensuring equitable land use and the development of a diversity of housing types in Chapel Hill; and

WHEREAS, the Town is supportive of augmenting the “missing middle” in Chapel Hill as a way of providing additional, affordable housing options and, currently, our town ordinance allows accessory dwelling units by right in most zoning districts; and

WHEREAS, the Town has over 50 years of strong commitment to affordable housing and, through our Affordable Housing Strategic and Master Plans, are continuing to adopt and support affordable housing programs, projects and policies in order to increase our diversity in income, race, age and lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, municipalities across North Carolina have unique characteristics and challenges so that “one size does not fit all” and statewide zoning mandates often have unintended negative consequences for local jurisdictions and the residents of our state.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we the Chapel Hill Town Council do hereby oppose passage of Senate Bill 349 and request that the mayor convey this resolution to our elected representatives in the North Carolina General Assembly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chapel Hill Town Council recognizes the need for solutions and reforms that will result in more opportunities for affordable housing, support diversity in our communities and address long-standing racial injustice. Therefore, we support the work of Metro Mayors, the North Carolina League of Municipalities, and the North Carolina General Assembly to study and advance thoughtful and sustainable Affordable Housing and land use policy options to achieve these goals.

This the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April 2021.