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Carteret County Board of Commissioners
302 Courthouse Square
Beaufort, NC 28516

Re: Support for change in method of tax distribution

Dear Chairman Wheatley and Board of Commissioners,

In joining with our neighboring towns, the Town of Bogue would like to request that the sales tax distribution amount that the municipalities receive is changed from the ad valorem levies method, to the per capita method.

The per capita method of distribution is far more equitable to all county residents. In the Town of Bogue for example our residents pay more in their tax rate (.16) then Emerald Isle (.155); however receive \$21.27 per capita compared to \$554.94 per capita for Emerald Isle residents. We are a small town with only 732 residents and with the distribution the way it is we can not offer our residents incentives to live in our town without raises their taxes.

In conclusion, we want to build the desired quality of life for our town by making substantial improvements we can only achieve with a larger piece of the pie. We respectfully ask that the Carteret County Board of Commissioners change the method of sales tax distribution for the betterment of all county residents.

Respectfully,



Mayor Robert O'Chat and Town of Bogue Councilmen