

RESOLUTION NO. 17-01

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT GEORGIA'S LITTLE RIVER WATER TRAIL  
FOR THE COUNTY OF McDUFFIE, GA

WHEREAS, the citizens of McDUFFIE County value its natural resources and outdoor recreation opportunities afforded by the LITTLE River; and

WHEREAS, the citizens value the LITTLE River for water quality and habitat protection; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of McDUFFIE County will greatly benefit from the recreational and natural experiences provided by the water trail and

WHEREAS, providing access to the river is a desired goal of McDUFFIE County; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of McDUFFIE County and visitors from throughout the State of Georgia and the United States have for more than twenty (20) years regularly and openly enjoyed and exercised a right of passage by boat on the LITTLE River as it travels through McDUFFIE County, thereby establishing a public easement of passage on the river; and

WHEREAS, McDUFFIE County has participated with (Wilkes & Warren Counties) to study and evaluate this water trail; and

WHEREAS, this water trail is consistent with the comprehensive land use plan of McDUFFIE County for recreational facilities for its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the County has previously supported activities that promote recreation on the river; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of McDUFFIE County have indicated their support for the water trail at (meetings or other events); and

WHEREAS, McDUFFIE County affirms and supports the water trail, beginning in Wilkes County at Highway 80 and ending at Raysville Campground, to be of value and benefit to the citizens of McDUFFIE County and its neighboring counties.

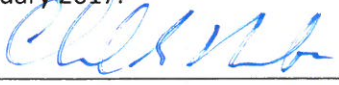
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioner of McDUFFIE County, Georgia;

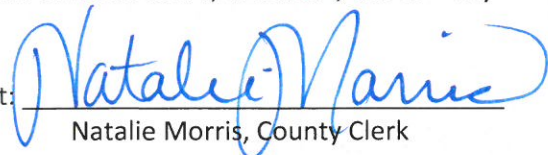
Section 1: That the public easement of passage established by more than twenty (20) years of regular and open travel by boat on the LITTLE River in McDUFFIE County is hereby recognized and accepted by the Board of Commissioners on behalf of the citizens of McDUFFIE County, and visitors from throughout the State of Georgia and the United States;

Section 2: That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption; and

Section 3: That we hereby direct each department in the County to support and implement the water trail.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSION OF McDUFFIE COUNTY, GEORGIA, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January 2017.

By:   
Charlie Newton, Chariman

Attest:   
Natalie Morris, County Clerk