

COUNTY OF PENDER

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RESOLUTION No. _____

2007 ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS RESOLUTION

WHEREAS Elder Abuse is the broad term used to identify mistreatment of elder and Disabled adults, and abuse and neglect of elderly and disabled adults is one of most Under-recognized and under-reported social problems in this country, and,

WHEREAS The magnitude of the problem is likely to increase for several reasons, especially with the anticipated rise in the number of elderly population, and

WHEREAS Mistreatment can take many forms: Physical Abuse; Emotional Abuse; Sexual Abuse; Neglect by Caretaker; Self-Neglect; and Exploitation; Financial Exploitation, and,

WHEREAS Between 500,000-5 million people suffer Elder Abuse every year, and

WHEREAS Elder Abuse is preventable

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Pender recognizes the month of June as Elder Abuse Awareness month and encourages all residents and other jurisdictions to become more aware of this problem and join in the prevention of Elder Abuse.

ADOPTED this ____ Day of _____, 2007

 County Manager

 Chairman, County Commissioners