

**10. CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF  
COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION REFORM**

At last month's meeting, following the remarks of Mr. Ash Cutchin, there was consensus to add the topic of illegal immigration and immigration reform to this month's meeting agenda.

Accordingly, I have developed the attached draft resolution for your consideration.

**MOTION REQUIRED:** If the Board is so inclined, a motion is required to adopt the attached resolution.



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA**

**RESOLUTION 0714-10**

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At a meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Southampton County, Virginia, held in the Southampton County Office Center, Board of Supervisors' Meeting Room, 26022 Administration Center Drive, Courtland, Virginia on Monday, July 28, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

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**PRESENT**

The Honorable Dallas O. Jones, Chairman  
The Honorable Ronald M. West, Vice Chairman  
The Honorable Alan W. Edwards  
The Honorable Carl J. Faison  
The Honorable S. Bruce Phillips  
The Honorable Barry T. Porter  
The Honorable Glenn H. Updike

**IN RE: A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION REFORM**

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Motion by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_:

**WHEREAS**, America has long recognized the value and importance of immigrants to the United States, and the equal importance of immigrants and citizens adhering to the rules of our legal system; and

**WHEREAS**, when admitted through a well-regulated system, immigrants strengthen our nation by creating economic opportunities, increasing America's scientific and cultural resources, strengthening our ties with other nations, fulfilling humanitarian commitments, and supporting family ties and family values that are necessary to build strong communities; and

**WHEREAS**, failure on the part of the federal government to secure the borders, track visa recipients in the interior, or enforce worksite laws has allowed illegal immigration to thrive, with an estimated 11.5 million residents living and working in the United States without legal authorization or proper documentation; and

**WHEREAS**, these 11.5 million illegal immigrants cost taxpayers billions of dollars each

year, decrease the wages for legal workers, raise health care costs, and deplete public assistance programs.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of Southampton County, Virginia that it urges Congress to move quickly to enact comprehensive reform of the current immigration laws; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Southampton County, Virginia supports all efforts to enforce current immigration laws consistently and vigorously to eliminate illegal entry at the borders, visa overstays, working without proper documentation, and employing undocumented workers; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors of Southampton County, Virginia is unalterably opposed to illegal immigration and opposes any legislation that will result in the granting of amnesty and legal residency, in any form or by any name, to illegal immigrants currently in the United States.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF** we have caused the Seal of the Southampton County Board of Supervisors to be hereunto affixed.

Seconded by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_.

VOTING ON THE ITEM:        YES –  
    NO –

A COPY TESTE:

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Michael W. Johnson, County Administrator/  
Clerk, Southampton County Board of Supervisors