EXHIBIT I.

LEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Resolution Altering Structure Of Board

June 26, 1989

WHEREAS, the Lee County Board of Commissioners presently consists of five members elected from the county at-large for staggered, four-year terms; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to increase the opportunity for black voters to elect candidates of their choice to the Board; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 195 of the North Carolina Session Laws of 1989 authorizes the Board to change the method of election by adoption of a resolution following a public hearing; and

WHEREAS, such a public hearing has been held on this date, after the required ten days' notice was given;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Lee County Board of Commissioners that:

- 1. After the 1990 election the Board of Commissioners shall consist of seven members, four of whom shall be elected from four single-member districts by the voters of those districts, and three of whom shall be elected by all the voters of the county.
- 2. Elections for the Board of Commissioners shall continue to be partisan. Political parties' candidates shall continue to be nominated by party primaries, but there shall be no second primaries. Results of party primaries in 1990 and subsequent election years shall be determined as follows:
 - a. In a primary to choose a nominee for a district office, the candidate who receives the highest number of votes shall be declared the nominee.
 - b. In a primary to choose nominees for at-large offices, the candidates receiving the highest number of votes, equal in number to the number of offices to be filled, shall be declared the nominees.
 - c. If two or more candidates receiving the highest number of votes necessary to be nominated each receive the same number of votes, the proper party executive committee shall, from among those candidates receiving the same number of votes, select the party nominee in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. § 163-114.

3. Maps showing the boundaries of the four single-member districts are available for public inspection at the County Manager's office. The districts are as follows:

<u>District 1</u> - Includes all persons residing within the boundaries of an area described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the Seaboard Coastline Railway and thence as the centerline of the following streets in a clockwise direction - Weatherspoon Street, Fifth Street, Charlotte Avenue, and N. Twelfth Street to the Sanford city limits line, as that line to an unnamed tributary of Lick Creek, as that creek line to a Carolina Power & Light cross-country transmission line, as that power line crossing San-Lee Drive to a point 1000 feet beyond, as a parallel line to San-Lee Drive back to the city limits of Sanford, as the city limits line of Sanford to Broadway Road, as Broadway Road, Cox Mill Road, Mount Pisgah Church Road, Cox-Maddox Road, Highway 87 South, and Wilson Road to the old abandoned railroad right-of-way line, as that railroad right-of-way to the 1980 Sanford city limits line, as that line to Dalrymple Street, as Dalrymple Street, Main Street, Woodland Avenue, Harkey Road, Courtland Drive, Tramway Road, Fire Tower Road, Carthage Street and Wicker Street to the Seaboard Railroad, and as that railroad right-of-way to the beginning.

District 2 - Includes all persons residing east of a line beginning at the intersection of Deep River and Hawkins Avenue (U.S. 15-510) and following Hawkins Avenue south to U.S. Highway 1 Bypass, as U.S. Highway 1 south to Horner Boulevard, as Horner Boulevard to Weatherspoon Street, as Weatherspoon Street to the beginning of District 1, as the eastern boundary of District 1 to Highway 87 South, as Highway 87 South to the Upper Little River, and as that river to the Harnett County Line. This district includes all of Cape Fear and Pocket townships, and portions of East Sanford, West Sanford, and Jonesboro townships.

<u>District 3</u> - Includes all persons residing south and west of a line beginning at the intersection of the Harnett County line and the Upper Little River and follows the river west to the centerline of Highway 87 South, as that highway north to a point in the southern

boundary line of District 1, as that boundary line west to Fire Tower Road, thence as Tramway Road, Center Church Road, Henley Road, S. Franklin Road, Bridges Road, and Steel Bridge Road to the Moore County line. This district contains all of Greenwood Township, portions of Jonesboro Township and the southern portion of Pocket Township.

District 4 - Includes all persons residing north and west of a line beginning at the intersection of Steel Bridge Road and the Moore County line and following in an easterly direction the centerlines of Steel Bridge Road, Bridges Road, S. Franklin Road, Henley Road, Center Church Road, Tramway Road, Fire Tower Road, and Carthage Street to the Seaboard Coastline Railroad, as that railroad right-of-way line to Weatherspoon Street, as that street, N. Horner Boulevard, U.S. Highway 1 Bypass, and Hawkins Avenue to the Chatham County line. This district contains the northern portion of Pocket Township, the major portion of West Sanford Township, and portions of Jonesboro Township.

- 4. The transition to the new structure will take place as follows:
 - a. The two incumbent commissioners elected in 1988 will continue to serve until their terms expire in 1992.
 - b. One commissioner will be elected from each of the four districts in 1990 and every four years thereafter.
 - c. One commissioner will be elected at-large in 1990 for a two-year term.
 - d. Three at-large commissioners will be elected in 1992 and every four years thereafter. These three offices shall be voted upon together as a group.
- 5. This resolution shall be effective upon preclearance of this new election structure and Chapter 195 of the 1989 Session Laws pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965.
- 6. This resolution shall be published in full upon its adoption.

certified true copies of this resolution shall be filed with the Secretary of State, Supreme Court Library and Legislative Library.
ADOPTED this 26th day of June, 1989.
/s/ Albert L. Cox Albert L. Cox, Chairman
ATTEST:
/s/ K. R. Hoyle K.R. Hoyle, Clerk