The Honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their said office at 7:30 p.m.,

January 9, 1976, pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes 153 A-40 in a Special Meeting, due
notice having been given to all members of the Board of Commissioners and posted in the Courthouse.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

Donald P. Currie, Chairman

C. Waldo Marlowe, Vice-Chairman

Edward W. Williamson

Mayo Brown

W. B. Buffkin (Absent)

Sankey W. Robinson. Attorney & Clerk

The Chairman stated that the purpose of the mmeting was to consider action that might be necessary for the continued orderly operation of the Register of Deeds' Office of Columbus County as a result of the death of the Honorable Leo L. Fisher, Register of Deeds, which occured on Monday, January 5, 1976.

The County Attorney read to the Board North Carolina General Statute 161-5, <u>Vacancy</u> in <u>Office</u>, and North Carolina Statute 161-6, <u>Appointment of Assistant and Deputy Registers of Deeds; <u>Authority to Sign Name of Register of Deeds</u>; <u>Holdover Assistants and Deputies</u>.</u>

Upon motion made, duly seconded, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the qualified Deputies now employed in the Register of Deeds Office are to continue as Deputies, with Ila N. Penny as Chief Deputy, with full authority to exercise all lawful power and authority of the Office of Register of Deeds until further action of the Board of Commissioners.

Ordered: that the salary of Ila N. Penny be increased to \$700 per month due to increased responsibility and duties during the time she serves as Chief Deputy Register of Deeds.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until 10:00 a.m., January 19, 1976, which is regular meeting time.

APPROVED:

Clerk (Acting)

Chairman