

April 27, 2006

Mayor Kevin Foy Town of Chapel Hill 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd Chapel Hill, NC 27514

Dear Mayor Foy:

As you know, the Orange County Economic Development Commission (EDC), with your support, is actively pursuing an aggressive five-year strategic plan that calls for the creation of 5,000 new jobs and \$125 million in new commercial property by mid-2010. Achieving the goals will require close working partnerships between the public and private sectors, and among all units of local government.

The Town of Chapel Hill currently has a representative on the Economic Development Commission, Bob Ward. We are asking that you consider additionally appointing one of Council members to serve on the EDC. We ask that you select someone who can commit to attending our monthly meetings on the second Thursday of each month at 5 p.m. (The meetings alternate between Hillsborough and Chapel Hill/Carrboro.)

We are excited about working closely with you to achieve our mission to:

Enhance the financial well-being and quality of life of county residents
and the ability of their local governments to provide high-quality services.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Dianne Reid, Economic Development Director at 245-2325 or dreid@co.orange.nc.us.

Thank you,

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