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SIGNIFICANT DONATION TO THE CHATHAM LIBRARY FUND CHATHAM COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION PLEDGES \$25,000

Pittsboro, NC – 18 June 2007 – The Chatham County Historical Association (CCHA) announced today it is pledging the sum of \$25,000 to the Chatham Community Library for the construction and furnishing of an area in the new library devoted to the local history, heritage, and genealogy of the county.

“This is a very important matter to us,” said Barbara Pugh, President of the Chatham County Historical Association. *“Our group is all about the preservation of the history and heritage of the county, and feel this is a wonderful way to help educate our citizens about it.”*

The history area is planned as a part of the new Chatham Community Library to house those books and items of historic significance kept at the library for the use of its patrons. These items include county and family histories, genealogical records, gravesite registrations, publications on local history, and clipping files. Many of these items are irreplaceable, and deserve the special handling and attention this area, dedicated to the preservation of our history, can provide.

The Chatham Community Library is in the process of planning its new facility to be the headquarters library for the county. It will be located on the campus of Central Carolina Community College, and jointly operated with the college. This action on the part of the Chatham County Historical Association is by way of providing tangible support for this project, and an indicator of its importance to the future of our community.

The Chatham County Historical Society enables research projects into the history and heritage of Chatham County, and operates a museum of Chatham County history, located in the courthouse in Pittsboro, NC. The membership of the CCHA includes members located in Chatham County, across North Carolina, and in twenty-one other states.

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ABOUT THE CHATHAM COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION:

The Chatham County Historical Association, Inc. (CCHA) is a non-profit [501(c)(3)] organization of individuals and corporations interested in recording, preserving, and communicating the history and heritage of Chatham County, North Carolina. The CCHA enables research projects into this heritage, and operates a museum of Chatham County history, located in the courthouse in Pittsboro, NC. We invite anyone concerned with the preservation of local history or genealogy to join the CCHA. The membership of the CCHA includes members located in Chatham County, across North Carolina, and in twenty-one other states. For information on membership or other CCHA activities, please visit our website at WWW.CHATHAMHISTORY.ORG, email us at HISTORY@CHATHAMHISTORY.ORG, or write to us at Chatham County Historical Association, Inc., Post Office Box 93, Pittsboro, NC 27312.