FORSYTH COUNTY, GEORGIA ORDINANCE NUMBER <u>96</u>

A Resolution and Ordinance amending Forsyth County Ordinance Number 96, the Forsyth County Pawnbrokers and Pawn Shop Establishment Ordinance, to modify the regulations governing Pawnbrokers and Pawn Shop Establishments related to weapons; to repeal conflicting ordinances; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of Georgia, approved by the voters of the State in November of 1982, and effective July 1, 1983, provides in Article IX, Section II, Paragraph I thereof, that the governing authority of the County may adopt clearly reasonable ordinances, resolutions, and regulations;

WHEREAS, O.C.G.A. § 36-1-20 authorizes counties to enact ordinances for protecting and preserving the public health, safety, and welfare of the population of the, unincorporated areas of the County; and,

WHEREAS, the governing authority of Forsyth County, to wit, the Board of Commissioners, desires to exercise its authority by amending the Forsyth County Pawnbrokers and Pawn Shop Establishment Ordinance to modify the regulations governing Pawnbrokers and Pawn Shop Establishments related to weapons.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF FORSYTH COUNTY, GEORGIA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1.

Ordinance No. 96, the Forsyth County Pawnbrokers and Pawn Shop Establishment Ordinance (codified as Chapter 22, Article III of The Code of Forsyth County, Georgia) is hereby revised by repealing Section 96-15 (codified as Section 22-130), as follows:

"Sec. 96-15. – <u>Reserved</u>.

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Section 2. Repealer.

All laws, resolutions, or ordinances or parts thereof that conflict with the provisions of this Amendment are hereby repealed.

Section 3. Severability.

Should any section, subsection, clause, sentence, phrase, or part of this Ordinance for any reason be held, deemed, or construed to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof and the Board of Commissioners hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance, each section, subsection, clause, sentence, phrase, and part thereof irrespective to the fact that one or more sections, subsections, clauses, sentences, phrases, or parts thereof, be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

Section 5. Effective Date.

The effective date of this Amendment shall be the date of adoption.

SO RESOLVED this The day of August, 2014.

FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RALPH J. AMOS. Chairman

CINDY JOMES MILLS. Vice Chairman

BRIAN R. TAM, Secretary

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<u>Smya Bush</u> County clerk