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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**FORSYTH COUNTY TO HOLD THREE ADDITIONAL  
PUBLIC HEARINGS REGARDING  
PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX INCREASE**

*Three public hearings to allow for public input*

**FORSYTH COUNTY, Georgia** – Due to a minor error in legal advertisements relative to the county’s 2008 tax digest and five-year history of levy, the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners will hold three additional public hearings regarding a proposed property tax increase. The Board of Commissioners is considering the adoption of a millage rate that will require an increase in the Maintenance and Operation property taxes, Fire property taxes and Bond property taxes.

The proposed county Maintenance and Operation rate remains at 3.834. The proposed Fire rate remains at 1.765. The proposed Bond rate is 1.196 mills, up from 0.446 mills in 2007. This represents a total millage increase of 0.75 mills.

The increase in the Bond property tax rate is due to the approval of the \$100 million parks, recreation and green space bond measure approved by voters in February. The county intends to issue these bonds in September or October.

The Forsyth County Board of Commissioners will hold three (3) public hearings to allow the public an opportunity to express their opinions regarding the increase. All concerned citizens are invited to attend the public hearings regarding this tax increase. The hearings

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will be held at the Forsyth County Administration Building located at 110 E. Main Street, Suite 220, in Cumming on Tuesday, August 12 at 3 p.m. and Thursday, August 21 at 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Three public hearings were held in July regarding this proposed property tax increase. Due to a minor error in the advertisements showing the five-year levy history, the state has asked the county to re-advertise the proposed property tax increase and hold three additional public hearings. The additional public hearings scheduled for August will not impact tax bills or the collection of taxes.

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