

## **CCAC Resolution on the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of *The Green Olive Tree***

**Whereas**, seven Crozet ladies came together in 1979 for Bible Study and fellowship, and out of this gathering grew the idea of starting a used clothing store to serve Crozet; and

**Whereas**, June Andrews, Nancy-Virginia Bain, Ruby Garnett, Sarah Rogers, Mary Shirlen Willets, Evelyn Doyle, and Grace Waller were blessed with good sense, compassionate hearts, and total dedication to their project, named “The Green Olive Tree;” and

**Whereas**, the Green Olive Tree took root, thrived, and outgrew each of its succeeding locations, supported by a large group of loyal volunteers over the years; and

**Whereas**, from its modest beginning the Green Olive Tree came to share its proceeds with over a hundred different ministries and organizations around the world, giving away well over \$500,000; and

**Whereas**, not only have tons of clothing been exchanged, but the Green Olive Tree has become a community center where people can share love and support, ideas and worries, and come away refreshed and up-lifted; and

**Whereas**, the Green Olive Tree has served our community faithfully for thirty wonderful and generous years, and continues to prosper with the help of numerous volunteers and board members, all who serve without compensation; so

**Therefore Be It Resolved**, that the Crozet-Western Albemarle community, speaking through its representatives on the Crozet Community Advisory Council, recognize and applaud the work of the Green Olive Tree, and wish it continued success in its service to so many. It has been a true blessing for our community.

Adopted by unanimous vote February 19, 2009.