

**9. FUNDING REQUEST
WESTERN TIDEWATER HEALTH DISTRICT**

Attached for your consideration please find correspondence from Dr. Lisa McCoy advising that the District's FY 2009 state appropriation was reduced by \$33,773. Since the local appropriation is a percentage-based match, Dr. McCoy notes that the County's FY 2009 appropriation may be reduced by \$23,409. However, she is requesting that the District be allowed to retain our full FY 2009 local appropriation, with the \$23,409 considered 100% local funding to offset increased demand for clinical services in Southampton County.

She notes a 10% increase in the number of "free-care" or "no-pay" patients and a 15% increase in the number of clients seeking family planning, HIV medication assistance, adult immunizations and communicable disease clinics.

As this money has already been budgeted and appropriated, there are no adverse financial consequences in granting Dr. McCoy's request and your acquiescence would help ensure the continued availability of health services during this economic downturn.

MOTION REQUIRED:

If the Board is so inclined, a motion is required granting the Health Department's request to retain \$23,409 as 100% local funds.