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*"I'm not retiring. I am graduating. Today is my graduation day. Retirement means that you'll just go ahead and live on your laurels. It ain't going to happen." Junior Seau*



Dear friends and colleagues,

Like the legendary Phoenix, ECC has obtained new life by rising from the ashes of its former existence—more than one time. As with all successful businesses with long life cycles, it has reinvented itself to meet the ever-changing needs of the region. I was very fortunate to lead a talented staff and play an integral role in that process.

As I “graduate”, I leave ECC knowing that it is on solid footing, knowing that it has strong, capable managers, and knowing that it has excellent guidance from the ECC Board of Directors and officers. Under the leadership of the new Executive Director, Matt Livingston, I wish ECC every success.

Thank you for allowing me the privilege of serving this region and thank you for your continued support of ECC and its mission.

On a personal note, my husband Alan and I will continue to live in New Bern. We will be travelling more around the USA and Canada and will be boating and fishing on the local waters. If you listen closely, you should be able to hear “I did it my way” playing softly in the background!

*Judy Hills*