RESOLUTION OF THE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF POLK COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA APPROVING
THE CREATION OF THE
POLK COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY

1. Whereas, the Board of Commissioners (the "Board") of Polk County North Carolina, (the "Commissioners") has considered the benefits of the creation of the Polk County Regional Water Authority (the "Authority") pursuant to the terms of the North Carolina Water and Sewer Authorities Act, being Article 1 of Chapter 162A of the General Statutes of North Carolina, as amended by Session Law 2023-126.

2. Whereas, the Commissioners have found that the creation of the Authority is in the interest of the residents of the County and customers of it water system and will further the efficiency, cost-effectiveness and reliability of service to them.

3. Whereas, after due notice published in newspapers in general circulation in the County, the Commissioners have held a public hearing on the proposed creation of the Authority.

Now, therefore, the Board of Commissioners of the Polk County, North Carolina, hereby affirms the findings set forth above and resolves and determines:

A. To affirm and accept the Articles of Incorporations of the Polk County Regional Water Authority as attached hereto as ***Exhibit A*** pursuant to the terms of the North Carolina Water and Sewer Authorities Act, being Article 1 of Chapter 162A of the General Statutes of North Carolina, as amended by Session Law 2023-126 (the "Statute").

B. Makes all other findings required by the Statute.

C. Authorizes its officers, agents and employees to take all steps reasonably necessary or convenient to accomplish the formation of the Authority.

Resolved this 17th day of March 2025.

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Myron Yoder, Chair of the Board of Commissioners

POLK COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

ATTEST:

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Kennedy Freeman, Clerk of the Board of Commissioners
Polk County, North Carolina

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA)
)
COUNTY OF POLK)

I, _____, a Notary Public for North Carolina, do hereby certify that _____, the _____ of the **Board of Commissioners of Polk County**, a body politic of the State of North Carolina, personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the due execution of the forgoing instrument on behalf of the body politic.

Witness my hand and official seal this the ___day of _____, 2025.

Notary Public
Print Name: _____

My Commission Expires:

EXHIBIT A ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF THE

POLK COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY

In compliance with the North Carolina Water and Sewer Authorities Act, being Article 1 of Chapter 162A of the General Statutes of North Carolina, as amended by Session Law 2023-126, the Board of Commissioners for Polk County, North Carolina, the Board of the Directors for the Broad River Water Authority of North Carolina, and the Inman-Campobello Water District Commission of South Carolina, each pursuant to a resolution signifying its determination to organize an Authority under Article 1 of the Act, hereby certify the following:

1. Name. This Authority The name of such Authority shall be the Polk County Regional Water Authority (the "Authority").

2. Authority. The Authority is organized pursuant to Section 162A-3(a)(1) of the North Carolina Water and Sewer Authorities Act, as amended. The Authority shall be a public body and a body politic and corporate of the State of North Carolina and shall have all powers, rights, and responsibilities granted by Article 1 of Chapter 162A of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

3. Organizing Political Subdivisions. The names of the organizing political subdivisions of the Authority are:

a. Polk County, North Carolina,
b. The Broad River Water Authority of North Carolina, and
c. The Inman-Campobello Water District of South Carolina.

4. Members. The Board of Directors of the Authority initially shall be

a. Tommy Melton
Polk County Board of Commissioners PO Box 308
Columbus, North Carolina 28722

b. Marche Pittman
Polk County Board of Commissioners PO Box 308
Columbus, North Carolina 28722

c. Mickey Bland
Broad River Water Authority 112 N. Main Street
Rutherfordton, North Carolina 28139

d. Maria Hunnicutt
Broad River Water Authority 112 N. Main Street
Rutherfordton, North Carolina 28139

e. Craig Sims
Inman-Campobello Water District 5 Prospect Street
Inman, South Carolina 29349

f. Jeff Walker
Inman-Campobello Water District 5 Prospect Street
Inman, South Carolina 29349

g. David Odom Odom Engineering 169 Oak Street
Forest City, North Carolina 28043

Membership, including terms and subsequent appointments, shall be governed by Article 1, Chapter 162A of the North Carolina General Statutes as supplemented by the bylaws of the Authority.

5. Terms. The members of the Authority shall be limited to two members to be appointed from time to time by the political subdivisions and an additional independent member appointed by the political subdivisions as provided in the bylaws. The members shall serve three- year terms staggered as provided in the bylaws.

6. Principal Office. The Principal Office of the Authority shall be the Polk County Administration Building, located at 40 Courthouse Street, Columbus, North Carolina 28722 and with mailing address PO Box 308, Columbus, North Carolina 28722.

7. Effective date. The Authority shall be effective upon the adoption of a resolution by each organizing political subdivision signifying their determination to organize such Authority.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Polk County, North Carolina has caused these Articles of Incorporation to be executed by the Chairman of its Board of Commissioners and its corporate seal to be affixed hereto and attested by the Clerk of said Board; the Broad River Water Authority has caused these Articles of Incorporation to be executed by the Chairman of its Board of Directors

and its corporate seal to be affixed hereto and attested by the Clerk of said Board; and the Inman- Campobello Water District has caused these Articles of Incorporation to be executed by the Chairman of its Board of Commissioners and its corporate seal to be affixed hereto and attested by the Clerk of said Board, all as of this the [__] day of [___], 2025.

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Myron Yoder, Chair of the Board of Commissioners

POLK COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

ATTEST:

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Kennedy Freeman, Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

Polk County, North Carolina

[name], Chair of the Board of Commissioners

BROAD RIVER WATER AUTHORITY OF NORTH CAROLINA

ATTEST:

[name], Secretary of the Board of Commissioners

Broad River Water Authority

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David E. Gibson, Chair of the Board of Commissioners

INMAN-CAMPOBELLO WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

ATTEST:

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[name], Secretary of the Board of Commissioners

Inman-Campobello Water District

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