RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION FOR FY 2027 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FUNDING, ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, AND TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY ASSURANCES AND LOCAL MATCH

WHEREAS, Article 2B of Chapter 136 of the North Carolina General Statutes and the Governor of North Carolina have designated the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) as the agency responsible for administering federal and state public transportation funds; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Transportation will apply for a grant from the US Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration and receives funds from the North Carolina General Assembly to provide assistance for rural public transportation projects; and

WHEREAS, the program funding may include funding from Section 5311 (including ADTAP), 5310, 5339, 5307 and applicable State funding, or combination thereof; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of these transportation funds is to provide grant monies to local agencies for the provision of rural, small urban, and urban public transportation services consistent with the policy requirements of each funding source for planning, community and agency involvement, service design, service alternatives, training and conference participation, reporting and other requirements (drug and alcohol testing policy and program, disadvantaged business enterprise program, and fully allocated costs analysis); and

WHEREAS, the funds applied for may be Administrative, Operating, Planning, or Capital funds and will have different percentages of federal, state, and local funds; and

WHEREAS, non-Community Transportation applicants may apply for funding for "purchase of service" projects under the Section 5310 program (required to be stated in this resolution but not applicable to Buncombe County/Mountain Mobility);

WHEREAS, Buncombe County hereby assures and certifies that it will provide the required local matching funds; that its staff has the technical capacity to implement and manage the project(s), prepare required reports, obtain required training, attend meetings and conferences; and agrees to comply with the federal and state statutes, regulations, executive orders, Section 5333(b) Warranty, and all administrative requirements related to the applications made to and grants received from the Federal Transit Administration, as well as the provisions of Section 1001 of Title 18, U.S.C.; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has or will provide all annual certifications and assurances to the State of North Carolina required for the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Buncombe as follows:

1. That the Chairperson of the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to submit grant application(s) for federal and state funding in response to NCDOT's calls for projects, make the necessary assurances and certifications, and be empowered to enter into an agreement with the NCDOT to provide rural, small urban, and urban public transportation services.

2. That this Resolution is effective upon its adoption.

Adopted this 16th day of September, 2025.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FOR THE COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE

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Sarah Scarnecchia, Clerk to the Board

By: _____

Amanda Edwards, Chairperson

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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County Attorney

Certifying Official's Statement

I, Sarah Scarnecchia, Clerk to the Board, do hereby certify that a motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ for the adoption of the attached Resolution, and upon being put to a vote was duly adopted at a meeting duly held by the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners on September 16, 2025. I further certify that the attached Resolution is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted.

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(Signature of Certifying Official)

(COUNTY SEAL)

Buncombe County Board of Commissioners
(Name of Local Governing Board)

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Subscribed and sworn to me this _____ day of _____, 20__.

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Notary Public Signature (NOTARY SEAL)

_____
Printed Name

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Address

_____
Commission Expires

Note that the official authorized to submit the grant application, the certifying official, and the notary public must be three (3) separate individuals.