Authorizing the Mayor of the Town of Fletcher to Execute an Amended Joint Cooperation Agreement to Add the Town of Mars Hill and the Town of Marshall to the Asheville Regional Housing Consortium

WHEREAS, the Town of Fletcher, North Carolina, has determined that the health and welfare of its jurisdiction may benefit from increasing the availability of safe, affordable and standard housing; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Fletcher has determined that providing safe, affordable, and standard housing will benefit work force productivity and area economic development; and

WHEREAS, a cooperative approach to providing housing in the Asheville Regional area will avoid duplication of effort and promote more effective delivery of housing services; and

WHEREAS, a consortium of local governments is entitled to receive funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that they would otherwise be unqualified to receive individually; and

WHEREAS, the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended, makes provisions whereby units of general local government may enter into cooperation agreements and form Consortia to undertake or assist in undertaking affordable housing pursuant to the HOME Investment Partnerships Program; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Fletcher is a current member of and, along with the other regional units of general local government members, desires to continue the Asheville Regional Housing Consortium to undertake or assist in undertaking affordable housing under the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Mars Hill and the Town of Marshall each wish to join the Asheville Regional Housing Consortium; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Town of Fletcher to admit the Town of Mars Hill and the Town of Marshall as members of the Asheville Regional Housing Consortium; and

WHEREAS, Article 20 Chapter 160A of the North Carolina General Statutes authorizes units of local government to enter into contracts or agreements with each other in order to execute any undertaking.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Town of Fletcher that:

1) The Town of Fletcher hereby supports the addition of Mars Hill and Marshall to the Asheville Regional Housing Consortium and the Mayor of the Town of Fletcher is authorized to execute an amended Joint Cooperation Agreement with the other member governments of the Asheville Regional Housing Consortium

2) The Mayor is further authorized to sign all contracts, approved by the Town of Fletcher, with other Governmental Agencies as may be required to carry out activities of the Cooperation Agreement.

Adopted this 13th day of April 2026, in a regular session of the Town of Fletcher, North Carolina.

Attest:

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Town Clerk Mayor