Council Member ____ made a motion to approve the following resolution. A vote of __.

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DEBRIS REMOVAL COOPERATIVE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND THE TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN RELATED TO TROPICAL STORM HELENE (FEMA-DR-4827-NC)

Resolution #: R-25-61

WHEREAS, Tropical Storm Helene caused widespread damage and debris throughout western North Carolina, creating emergency conditions that threaten public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Division of Emergency Management (NCEM) has established a Debris Removal Cooperative Memorandum of Agreement ("Agreement") to assist local government entities in expediting debris removal operations under FEMA-DR-4827-NC; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement allows NCEM to act as the legally responsible entity for conducting debris removal operations within the jurisdiction of participating local governments, enabling the Town to receive coordinated state and federal debris removal assistance and reimbursement under applicable FEMA programs; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Black Mountain recognizes the need to remove storm-related debris efficiently to protect the community, restore infrastructure, and support recovery efforts following Tropical Storm Helene; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Black Mountain wishes to enter into the Agreement with NCEM to ensure eligibility for federal and state reimbursement and to facilitate coordinated debris removal efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLACK MOUNTAIN THAT:

1. The Debris Removal Cooperative Memorandum of Agreement between the North Carolina Division of Emergency Management and the Town of Black Mountain related to Tropical Storm Helene (FEMA-DR-4827-NC) is hereby approved and attached hereto.
2. The Town Manager (or designee) is authorized to execute the Agreement and any related documents on behalf of the Town.
3. This Resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

Adopted this 13th day of October 2025.

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C. Michael Sobol, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Wesley M. Barker, Town Clerk