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

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY LONG-TERM RECOVERY PLAN

RESOLUTION NO. R-25-104

WHEREAS, Tropical Storm Helene caused widespread and severe impacts across Buncombe County and the Town of Black Mountain, resulting in extensive damage to public infrastructure, private property, natural systems, housing, and essential community services; and

WHEREAS, Buncombe County, with support from FEMA's staff, municipal partners, and regional stakeholders, developed the Buncombe County Long-Term Recovery Plan to guide strategic recovery, mitigation, and capacity-building efforts over the coming years; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Black Mountain actively participated in the development of the Long-Term Recovery Plan, contributing data, project needs, and community-specific priorities to ensure that the plan accurately reflects local impacts and proposes actionable strategies tailored to the Town; and

WHEREAS, on November 18, 2025, the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners formally adopted the Helene Long-Term Recovery Plan, establishing it as the regional framework to guide coordinated long-term recovery actions across Buncombe County; and

WHEREAS, adopting the Buncombe County Long-Term Recovery Plan will reinforce regional alignment, strengthen the Town's ability to leverage partnerships and funding opportunities, and serve as the foundation for the development of a future hyper-local Recovery and Resiliency Plan for the Town of Black Mountain; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Black Mountain recognizes the importance of comprehensive, coordinated, and forward-looking recovery planning to restore and improve community systems, enhance resilience, and support residents, businesses, and institutions affected by Tropical Storm Helene.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Black Mountain that:

1. The **Buncombe County Long-Term Recovery Plan** is hereby formally **adopted** as a guiding framework for long-term recovery and resilience efforts in the Town of Black Mountain.
2. Town staff are directed to use the principles, strategies, and recommendations contained within the plan to support ongoing recovery operations; inform local project development; and align future planning documents, including the forthcoming hyper-local Recovery and Resiliency Plan.

3. The Town expresses its appreciation to Buncombe County, FEMA personnel, and all partners involved in the development of the plan for their collaborative work and regional leadership.

ADOPTED this 8th day of December, 2025.

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C. Michael Sobol, Mayor

Attest:

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Wesley M. Barker, Town Clerk