RESOLUTION ADJUSTING BOUNDARIES OF COLFAX FIRE SERVICE DISTRICT OVERLAY AND NO. 18 (DEEP RIVER) FIRE SERVICE DISTRICT OVERLAY

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.C.G.S. §153A-301, Guilford County has established fire protection service districts, including the Colfax Fire Service District Overlay ("Colfax Fire Service District") and the No. 18 (Deep River) Fire Service District Overlay ("Deep River Fire Service District");

WHEREAS, the present Colfax Fire Service District and No. 18 (Deep River) Fire Service Districts are served, respectively, by the Colfax Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. and the City of High Point's Fire Department;

WHEREAS, due to growth and annexation patterns, a satellite fire station formerly owned and operated by the Colfax Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. was acquired by the City of High Point in approximately 2005;

WHEREAS, that satellite station, now owned and operated by the City of High Point, is near the southern portion of the Colfax Fire Service District;

WHEREAS, without that fire station as part of the Colfax Volunteer Fire Department, some properties within the Colfax Fire Service District are now more than five (5) road miles from the Colfax Volunteer Fire Department's responding fire station;

WHEREAS, the City of High Point provides the fire protection for the Deep River Fire Service District, which adjoins the Colfax Fire Service District, and is amenable to adding the properties affected by this realignment to the Deep River Fire Service District and to providing fire protection to them pursuant to its contract with Guilford County.

WHEREAS, the Office of the State Fire Marshall has indicated that because the affected properties are presently more than five (5) road miles from the responsible fire department's nearest station, they are likely to face an insurance classification downgrade, absent corrective action.

WHEREAS, both the Colfax Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. and the City of High Point's Fire Department carry excellent ratings.

WHEREAS, under N.C.G.S. §153A-304.3, the Board of County Commissioners may by resolution relocate the boundary lines between adjoining county service districts;

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.C.G.S. §153A-304.3, Guilford County has prepared a Report containing: (1) A map showing the current and proposed boundaries of the Colfax Fire Service District and the Deep River Fire Service District; (2) A statement indicating that the proposed boundary relocation meets the requirements of N.C.G.S. §153A-304.3(a); (3) A plan for providing services to the area affected by the relocation of district boundaries; and (4) The effect that the changes in the amount of taxable property will have on the ability of the district to provide services or to service any debt;

WHEREAS, that Report, which is incorporated herein by reference, has been made available for public inspection in the office of the Clerk to the Board for at least two weeks before the date of the public hearing of this matter; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners caused notice of the public hearing of this matter to be given in the manner provided by N.C.G.S. §153A-304.3(c).

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GUILFORD COUNTY RESOLVES that:

- 1. Guilford County has fully complied with the requirements of N.C.G.S. §153A-304.3 and determines and finds same as a fact.
- 2. The boundaries of the Colfax Fire Protection Service District Overlay and the No. 18 (Deep River) Fire Service District Overlay are modified as set forth on the map included with the Report referred to above, which Report and map are incorporated herein by reference.
- 3. Pursuant to N.C.G.S. §153A-233, the boundaries of the corresponding fire insurance districts are modified to coincide with the new boundaries of the Colfax Fire Protection Service District Overlay and the No. 18 (Deep River) Fire Service District Overlay.
- 4. Pursuant to S.L. 1973-263, the boundaries of the corresponding rural fire protection districts, the Colfax Fire Protection District and the No. 18 (Deep River) Fire Protection District, are modified to coincide, respectively, with the new boundaries of the Colfax Fire Protection Service District Overlay and the No. 18 (Deep River) Fire Service District Overlay.
- 5. This Resolution shall take effect at the beginning of fiscal year 2021-2022.

ADOPTED the ____ day of June, 2021.

The Honorable Melvin "Skip" Alston, Chairman

ATTEST:

Robin Keller, Clerk to Board