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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUNCOMBE COUNTY TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES TO ASHEVILLE MUSEUM OF SCIENCE

WHEREAS, The Colburn Earth Science Museum is re-locating and re-branding with a name change to Asheville Museum of Science (AMOS); and while staying true to its roots, the museum will expand into a broader science center by adding programming and state-of-the-art exhibits incorporating Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) programming;

WHEREAS, AMOS has requested funding from Buncombe County for Fiscal Year 2017 ("FY17") in an amount not to exceed \$175,000 to support its re-location from Pack Place to the Wells Fargo Building and re-branding from Colburn Earth Science Museum to Asheville Museum of Science as a science center destination. Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars of requested funds is for capital expenses to install exhibits, and the remainder is for operational and educational expenses;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of North Carolina General Statutes §158-7.1, a county is required to approve any such appropriation or expenditure only after holding a public hearing and such county must first publish notice of the public hearing at least 10 days before the hearing is held;

WHEREAS, this Board of Commissioners has organized the holding of a public hearing at the Board's June 21, 2016 regular meeting to discuss making this appropriation; and

WHEREAS, this Board finds that an appropriation to AMOS for FY17 will enhance employment and business prospects for Buncombe County.

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

- 1. The Board of Commissioners approves making this appropriation and spending from the County's general fund amounts to make a cash grant totaling \$_______ to Asheville Museum of Science for FY17.
- 2. The County Manager, or her designees, are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to do any and all other acts and to execute any and all other documents, which they, in their discretion, deem necessary and appropriate in order to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Resolution, except that none of the above shall be authorized or empowered to do anything or execute any document which is in contravention, in any way, of the specific provisions of this Resolution.
- 3. All acts and doings of officers, employees and agents of the County, whether taken prior to, on, or after the date of this Resolution, that are in conformity with and in the

furtherance of the purposes and intents of this Resolution as described above shall be, and the same hereby are, in all respects ratified, approved and confirmed.

This the ____ of June, 2016.

ATTEST BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE

By: ____

Kathy Hughes, Clerk David Gantt, Chairman

APPROVED AS TO FORM

This Resolution is effective upon its adoption.

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County Attorney