Resolution # ____________

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AND RATIFYING THE BUNCOMBE COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the United States prescribed for local emergency planning and reporting requirements through legislation passed in 1986 and codified in 42 US Code Chapter 116, Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act ("EPCRA");

WHEREAS, the general intent of EPCRA is to increase the public's knowledge and access to information on chemicals at individual facilities, their uses, and releases into the environment;

WHEREAS, the Buncombe County Local Emergency Planning Committee, hereinafter sometimes “LEPC," has been in operation for many years, but the Clerk to the Board has no record that the State created a local county planning district or that the County established a LEPC; and

WHEREAS, this Board feels that it is in the best interests of the County to formally establish the County LEPC and to ratify its operations.

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

1. That Buncombe County Local Emergency Planning Committee is hereby formally established.

2. That 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.

3. Any prior resolutions or parts thereof of the Board in conflict with the provisions herein contained are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby superseded and repealed.
4. That this resolution is effective upon adoption.

This the 16th day of February, 2021.

ATTEST

___________________________        BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE
Lamar Joyner, Clerk                        COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE

By: _____________________________

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APPROVED AS TO FORM

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County Attorney

Brownie Newman, Chairman