RESOLUTION #_____________

RESOLUTION CHANGING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE WOODFIN AND REEMS CREEK FIRE PROTECTION, & AMBULANCE AND RESCUE SERVICE DISTRICTS

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 153A-301, the board of county commissioners may create county service districts to finance fire protection services within a service district’s boundaries; and

WHEREAS, on October 20, 2015, the County created several service districts for fire protection, including the Reems Creek Fire Protection & Ambulance and Rescue Service District (herein “RC Service District”) and the Woodfin Fire Protection & Ambulance and Rescue Service District (herein “W Service District”); and

WHEREAS, the County contracts with Reems Creek Valley Fire Department, Inc. (herein “RCVFD”) to provide fire protection services in the RC Service District; and

WHEREAS, the County contracts with the Woodfin Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. (herein “WVFD”) to provide fire protection services in the W Service District; and

WHEREAS, the W Service District and the RC Service District are adjacent to each other;

WHEREAS, there are five parcels (PIN: 9741-52-0644; 9741-52-0984; 9741-43-9082; 9741-43-8181; and 9741-43-7214) located at the top of a ridge on Retreat Ridge Way (herein “Parcels”) and the Parcels are within the RC Service District boundaries;

WHEREAS, in order for RCVFD to service the Parcels, the RCVFD must travel through the W Service District to get to the Parcels; and

WHEREAS, the WVFD, RCVFD, and the Fire Mashall agree that there would be lower response times if the Parcels were in the W Service District and served by the WVFD; and

WHEREAS, the WVFD and RCVFD are currently operating on a temporary agreement where the WVFD is providing services to the Parcels; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 153A-304.3, the Board of County Commissioners may change the boundary lines between adjoining county service districts if the districts provide similar services; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Marshal has prepared the required report as set forth in N.C. Gen. Stat.
WHEREAS, the County has held a public hearing regarding the boundary change as in accordance with N.C. Gen. Stat. § 153A-304.3(c).

WHEREAS, the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interest of the residents that the Parcels be located in the W Service District.

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

1. That this Board hereby approves the boundary change as depicted in the Buncombe County GIS Map attached as Exhibit A to this Resolution.

2. That this resolution shall be effective on July 1, 2024.

This the ____ of ______________ 2024.

ATTEST                             BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE

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Stacey Woody, Interim Clerk                             Brownie Newman, Chairman

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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County Attorney