A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, IN SUPPORT OF THE MEDICARE FOR ALL ACT OF 2025

WHEREAS, every person in Mecklenburg County, NC deserves comprehensive, quality, lifetime healthcare and access to care is not only a major domain of The Social Determinants of Health, but also, a Mecklenburg County Community Health Priority; and

WHEREAS, the most recent estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau indicate that over 130,000 Mecklenburg residents do not have access to health insurance with greater disparities among younger adults, residents of color, and residents with lower incomes or educational attainment; and

WHEREAS, access to health insurance benefits residents by consistently offering preventive healthcare services and reducing the likelihood of severe health challenges that include chronic disease and early or premature death; and

that further negatively affect one's health and increases the likelihood of a family or individuals going into debt to cover the cost of necessary medical care; and

WHEREAS, the lack of health insurance can lead to financial burdens for families or individuals

WHEREAS, greater access to health insurance can be associated with positive community-level financial trends such as higher economic growth and lower levels of child poverty; and

WHEREAS, the "Medicare for All Act of 2025" provides universal health insurance coverage for quality healthcare (including mental healthcare) including all necessary medical treatment, prescription drugs, women's reproductive care, dental, vision, and long-term care, without copays, deductibles, or other out-of-pocket costs, it also lessens the burden on safety-net healthcare resources and offers the administrative cost savings of a single-payer system;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners endorses Medicare for All and therefore urges Congress to pass the "Medicare for All Act of 2025" as described in H.R. 3069 and S. 1506 and calls upon our federal representatives to support its prompt enactment, assuring comprehensive and quality healthcare for all residents of the United States.

This 3rd day of September 2025

Mark Jerrell, Chair

Macklanhyma Board of County Commissioner

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