## MECKLENBURG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENT TO JOIN COMMERCIAL PROPERTY ASSESS CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROGRAM

**WHEREAS,** Article 10B of Chapter 160A of the General Statute of North Carolina, as amended (the "C-PACE Act"), authorizes the establishment of a statewide commercial property assessed capital expenditure (C-PACE) program (the "C-PACE Program") that local governments may voluntarily join; and

**WHEREAS**, the C-PACE Act authorizes the North Carolina Department of Commerce (the "Program Sponsor") to oversee the C-PACE Program and requires the Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina, Inc., a North Carolina nonprofit corporation (the "Statewide Administrator") to administer the C-PACE Program and, in support thereof, provide certain administrative services described in N.C. General Statute 160A-239.14; and

WHEREAS, the C-PACE Act and C-PACE Program permit willing owners of commercial, industrial, or agricultural real property, or residential real property with five or more dwelling units located in the jurisdictional boundaries of participating local governments ("Qualifying Commercial Property") to obtain direct financing ("C-PACE Financing") from a "capital provider" (as further defined in N.C. General Statute 160A-239.12(1), "Capital Provider") for "qualifying improvements" (as further defined in N.C. General Statute 160A-239.12(14), "Qualifying Improvements") approved by the Program Sponsor, including energy efficiency measures, resiliency measures, renewable energy measures and water conservation measures; and

WHEREAS, under the C-PACE Act, C-PACE Financing shall be secured by a (a) voluntary assessment imposed on Qualifying Commercial Property by a local government for the total amount of such financing (the "C-PACE Assessment") and (b) lien on such Qualifying Commercial Property until the financing is paid in full (the "C-PACE Lien"); and

**WHEREAS,** the County of Mecklenburg, North Carolina (the "County") acting by and through its Board of County Commissioners desires to participate in the C-PACE Program and in support thereof, adopt a resolution setting forth the items required by N.C. General Statute 160A-239.15(a);

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

- <u>Section 1.</u> The County hereby authorizes (a) the C-PACE Program to operate within its jurisdictional boundaries and (b) the Statewide Administrator to provide the administrative services described in N.C. General Statute 160A-239.14.
- <u>Section 2.</u> The County intends to (a) authorize the C-PACE Financing within the jurisdictional boundaries of the County, (b) authorize the imposition of C-PACE Assessments to secure repayment of C-PACE Financing, (c) assign the C-PACE Lien to Capital Providers providing C-PACE Financing and (d) delegate billing, collection and enforcement duties for the C-PACE Assessment and C-PACE Lien to Capital Providers.

Section 3. The amount of any C-PACE Financing and related C-PACE Assessment repayment terms shall be pursuant to an agreement by and among the County, the Statewide Administrator, a "property owner" (as defined in the C-PACE Act, a "Property Owner") and Capital Provider (an "Assessment Agreement") and a financing agreement between a Property Owner and a Capital Provider in which a Property Owner agrees to repay a Capital Provider for the C-PACE Financing provided, including, but not limited to, any finance chargers, fees, debt servicing, accrual of interest and penalties, and any terms relating to the treatment of prepayment and partial payment, and the billing, collection and enforcement of the C-PACE Financing. Section 4. The County Managers Office shall, upon receipt from the Statewide Administrator of an approved project application for C-PACE Financing within the jurisdictional boundaries of the County, execute an Assessment Agreement, a Notice of C-PACE Assessment, and an Assignment of a C-PACE Lien. The County shall be reimbursed by the Statewide Administrator for the Section 5. actual and reasonable costs associated with the performance of the duties described in Section 4 hereof. Section 6. A public hearing on the C-PACE Program will be held in the Meeting Chamber of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Government Center, 600 East Fourth Street on November 18, 2025 at 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the agenda permits. Section 7. Nothing in this resolution shall be interpreted as authorizing the County to pledge, offer or encumber its full faith and credit, and the County shall not pledge, offer or encumber its full faith and credit in connection with any C-PACE Financing. Should any provision or provisions of this Resolution be declared invalid Section 8. or unenforceable in any respect by final decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity or unenforceability of any such provisions shall not affect the remaining provisions of such Resolution. All resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are, to the extent of Section 9. such conflict, hereby repealed. This Resolution shall take effect upon its adoption. Section 10. Adopted the 18th day of **November**, 2025. Approved as to Form:

County Attorney

Clerk to the Board