MECKLENBURG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION APPROVING BUSINESS INVESTMENT PROGRAM GRANT FOR COLUMBUS McKINNON CORPORATION

WHEREAS, **Columbus McKinnon Corporation** is seeking to establish a new global research and development center in Charlotte, NC; and

WHEREAS, the company evaluated sites in Buffalo, NY and Charleston, SC; and

WHEREAS, this project as described by the company was determined to meet all of the criteria for a Business Investment Program grant from the County of Mecklenburg, the Board of Commissioners voted its intent to provide a Business Investment Program grant to the company during a closed session meeting on August 7, 2019 and as authorized by the Board, the County communicated this information to the company; and

WHEREAS, taking into consideration the Board's stated intent to make an economic development grant, the company subsequently decided to expand in Charlotte. The project will include a capital investment of approximately \$3.14 million and will create 25 new jobs within five years at an average annual salary of approximately \$118,600. The Business Investment Program grant is a 50% grant over 5 years, with an estimated total amount of up to \$62,234. The grant will be subject to the County's standard contract provisions, including compliance requirements for the company related to job creation targets and clawback provisions; and

WHEREAS, the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners has determined that this grant will provide new employment, new taxable property and new economic activity within the County, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners does hereby approve the Business Investment Program grant and Economic Development grant as described above, and authorizes the County Manager to execute a contract for the same, with any necessary or helpful nonmaterial changes.

ADOPTED the _____ day of September, 2019.

Approved as to Form:

Clerk to the Board

County Attorney