RESOLUTION OF THE MECKLENBURG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPTING A SOURCE OF INCOME PROTECTIONS POLICY IN COUNTY SUPPORTED HOUSING

WHEREAS, it is a County priority to promote opportunities for individuals and families to obtain safe, quality, affordable housing for low to moderate income households. This includes aligning resources and policies that support the use of housing vouchers and other rental subsidies, as recommended by the Housing Charlotte Framework adopted in August 2018, the Charlotte Source of Income Ad Hoc Advisory Committee, A Home For All Framework, and the Mecklenburg Intergovernmental Relations Committee; and

WHEREAS, rental subsidies, including housing vouchers whether funded directly or indirectly by the federal government, along with other lawful sources of income, are recognized as important means of providing access to quality affordable housing for low- and moderate-income households; and

WHEREAS, the policy establishes that prospective residential tenants in County funded or supported developments or housing will not be disqualified from renting a housing unit based on a refusal by the housing operator/owner or developer to consider a lawful source of income; and

WHEREAS, the policy is not intended to require terms that prevent a property owner/operator or developer from determining, in a commercially reasonable and non-discriminatory manner, the ability of a housing applicant to afford to rent a property and other rental eligibility criteria; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners desires to adopt a Source of Income Protections Policy in County supported or funded housing to include enforcement guidelines and clarify applicable policy term.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Mecklenburg County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the attached Source of Income Protections Policy for County funded or supported housing.

Adopted this the 20th day of September, 2022.

Mistine M. Smith, Clerk to the Board

Approved as to Form

Tyrone C. Wade, County Attorney