

**RESOLUTION 2025-08**

**RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT DEVELOPMENT OF THE S-LINE RAIL CORRIDOR  
AND TO PROVIDE LOCAL FUNDING TO MATCH A FEDERAL GRANT  
OPPORTUNITY FOR MOBILITY HUB DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION  
ACTIVITIES**

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) has a long tradition of progressing successful passenger and freight rail projects and supporting the development of rail infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, NCDOT has worked with state, regional, and federal partners to develop plans for the federally-designated Southeast Corridor ("S-Line"), a passenger and freight rail network extending from Washington, D.C. through North Carolina to Jacksonville, Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, a Record of Decision to develop the Raleigh to Richmond portion of the Southeast Corridor was approved by the Federal Rail Administration (FRA) in March 2017, in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the development of the S-Line corridor supports and promotes economic development in communities along the corridor, including those in rural areas; and

**WHEREAS**, the developed S-Line would provide greater access to jobs, health care, and education and provide new options for the movement of both goods and people; and

**WHEREAS**, the developed S-Line would provide efficient and reliable commuting options for communities and businesses along the corridor;

**WHEREAS**, NCDOT is working with communities along the S-Line to plan stations, mobility hubs, infrastructure needs, and other land use considerations to prepare for rail service and maximize mobility options in each community;

**WHEREAS**, NCDOT and the Town of Wake Forest are pursuing a Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant opportunity to provide funding for full construction of the Downtown Wake Forest Mobility Hub;

WHEREAS, communities participating in the RAISE grant application must provide a local 20% match (\$6,250,000) for their portion of the grant application;

BE IT RESOLVED that the governing body of the Town of Wake Forest hereby authorize to commit \$6,250,000 as the 20% match for the grant and supports construction efforts toward the Downtown Wake Forest S-Line Mobility Hub.

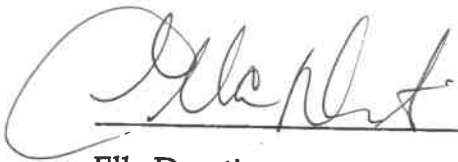
Adopted and effective this the 21<sup>st</sup> day of January 2025.



Vivian A. Jones

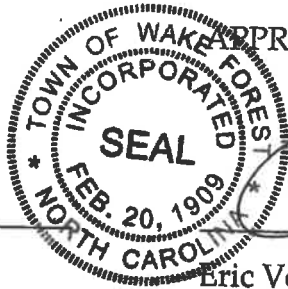
Mayor

ATTEST:



Ella Downtin

Deputy Town Clerk



APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Eric Vernon

Town Attorney