

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF ELECTIONS EQUIPMENT FROM SOLE SOURCE

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- WHEREAS, on recommendation of Election Services staff, the Buncombe County Board of Elections approved the purchase of the Balotar on Demand Voting System from ADVANCED BALLOT SOLUTIONS, LLC ("ABS") for the contract amount of \$108,170.00; and
- WHEREAS, the Balotar voting system is a paper ballot production system which complies with all applicable elections laws and it will save time and money through a system of securely printing ballots at the time of voter check-in and thereby eliminating the need for preprinted ballots where this system is placed; and
- WHEREAS, the Balotar on Demand Voting System is only available through ABS and the use of this voting technology is a pilot approved by the State Board of Elections for the State of North Carolina; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 143-129(e)(6), the Board of Commissioners as the governing board of a political subdivision of the State is required to approve the purchase of apparatus, supplies, materials, or equipment when the product is available from a sole source; and
- WHEREAS, this Board is of the opinion that it is in the best interests of the citizens and residents of the County to authorize this purchase.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Buncombe as follows:

1. That this Board of Commissioners accepts the recommendation of the Buncombe County Board of Elections and authorizes the purchase of the Balotar on Demand Voting System from ADVANCED BALLOT SOLUTIONS, LLC for the sum of \$108,170.00 and authorizes the purchase of this equipment for said amount as a sole source purchase in accordance with N.C.G.S. § 143-129(e)(6).
2. That this resolution shall be effective upon its adoption.

This the 6th of August, 2013.

ATTEST

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE
COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE

Kathy Hughes, Clerk

By: _____
David Gantt, Chairman

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Michael C. Frue, County Attorney