RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION GRANTING DELTA EXPRESS, INC. AND CAROLINA TRANSPORTATION INC.'S TAX REFUND REQUEST DATED JANUARY 3, 2025.

- WHEREAS, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 105-381, a taxpayer must present a valid defense in order to be granted a refund on taxes paid to Buncombe County; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant N.C. Gen. Stat. § 105-381(a) those valid defenses are (i) a tax imposed through a clerical error, (ii) an illegal tax, or (iii) a tax levied for an illegal purpose; and
- WHEREAS, on January 3, 2025, Delta Express, Inc. and Carolina Transportation, Inc. requested that Buncombe County refund a total of \$216,719.40 for business personal property overpayment for tax years 2021, 2022 and 2023; and
- WHEREAS, for tax years 2021, 2022 and 2023, Delta and Carolina allege that the County should have appraised the business personal property as a public service company as opposed to a normal business; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 105-381(b) the Board of Commissioners are required to determine whether the taxpayer has a valid defense to the taxes imposed by the County.

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

- 1. That the tax refund request dated January 3, 2025 by Delta Express and Carolina Transpiration for \$216,719.40 is hereby granted on the grounds that the County made a clerical error on Delta Express and Carolina Transportation for tangible personal property during the 2021, 2022 and 2023 tax years.
- 2. The County Attorney is instructed to mail a copy of this resolution to Delta Express and Carolina Transpiration.
- 3. That this resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

This the 18<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025.

ATTEST

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE

Sarah Gross, Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Amanda Edwards, Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM

County Attorney