RESOLUTION NO. 2021-40 A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE A LOCAL MATCH FOR A MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA HOMETOWN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT

WHEREAS, the Municipal Association of South Carolina (MASC), offers Hometown Economic Development Grants to South Carolina cities and towns to implement economic development projects; and

WHEREAS, grant projects shall make a positive impact on the quality of life for community residents; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Augusta seeks to request funding for vibrancy enhancements to downtown North Augusta; and

WHEREAS, examples of vibrancy enhancements include new murals, public art, signage and overall enhancement of outdoor areas.

WHEREAS, receipt of this grant would benefit the City, downtown-area businesses and visitors of the City.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Augusta, South Carolina, in meeting duly assembled and by the authority thereof, that:

- 1. Staff shall submit a grant application for \$25,000 for a Hometown Economic Development Grant on or before September 24, 2021.
- The Mayor and Council of North Augusta commit to provide a local cash/in-kind match of \$3,750, which equals the minimum 15% match required by the Municipal Association of South Carolina, from the FY21 Administration budget.
- 3. Grant and matching funds shall be used for vibrancy enhancements to downtown North Augusta.
- The North Augusta procurement policy will be followed when securing all services and products with funds awarded from a Hometown Economic Development Grant.

DONE, RATIFIED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THIS 20th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2021.

Briton S. Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sharon Lamar, City Clerk