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A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING DESIGNATION OF 203 NORTH MAIN STREET, KNOWN AS THE 1910 ABEL CALEB LINEBERGER HOUSE NO. 1, AS A LOCAL HISTORIC LANDMARK BY THE GASTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the property located at 203 North Main Street, in Belmont, also known as the 1910 AC Lineberger House No. 1, is an excellent and highly intact example of the American Craftsman architectural style; and

WHEREAS, this structure is associated with AC Lineberger Sr, the prominent textile leader of Gaston County; and

WHEREAS, the structure was designed by one of the first leaders in North Carolina's early 20th century architectural profession, Charles Christian (CC) Hook; and

WHEREAS, the structure's character-defining features include a broad front gable with projecting side gables, all with half-timbering at their apexes; and

WHEREAS, the house reflects the wealth and prosperity brought about by the textile industry in Belmont; and

WHEREAS, the building is located on its original site and has not been moved since its construction in 1910; and

WHEREAS, the Gaston County Historic Preservation Commission has reviewed the designation report and finds the property to be a contributing structure to the historic downtown Belmont area; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources has reviewed the designation report and provided comments in September 2025, and stated they believe the report provides the preservation commission and local governing boards sufficient information to determine if the subject property possesses the requisite special local significance and integrity of a local landmark designation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Belmont:

1. The City of Belmont hereby recommends approval to the Gaston County Board of Commissioners for the designation of the property located at 203 North Main Street as a

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mes (Jim) Herferan, Mayor Pro-Tem

Local Historic Landmark, pursuant to the interlocal agreement establishing a joint historic preservation commission for the City of Belmont and Gaston County.

- 2. The proposed landmark designation shall apply only to the exterior of the house, including the landscaped area of the parcel, and specifically excludes the guest cottage located behind the house.
- 3. Upon designation by Gaston County, the property shall not be removed or demolished without providing 365 days' written notice to the Gaston County Historic Preservation Commission.
- 4. Nothing in this resolution shall be construed to prevent ordinary maintenance or repairs that do not involve a change in design, material, or appearance, or to prevent actions required for public safety as certified by a building inspector or other official.
- 5. The City recommends that a suitable sign be placed on the property indicating its designation as a historic landmark. If the property owner consents, the sign may be affixed to the property; if the owner objects, the sign shall be placed in a nearby public right-of-way.
- 6. Notice of this recommendation shall be provided to the property owner(s) and occupant(s) as required by law, and a copy of this resolution shall be filed with the offices of the City Clerk, County Clerk, Gaston County Register of Deeds, Building Inspection Department, and the Tax Supervisor.

ADOPTED this 20th day of October 2025.

Attest:

Laura Woelfel, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

City Attorney