



RESOLUTION TITLE: TO APPROVE A GASTON COUNTY LEVEL ONE INCENTIVE GRANT PURSUANT TO N.C. GEN.STAT. §158-7.1 AND TO AUTHORIZE GASTON COUNTY TO ENTER INTO A ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT (EDA) WITH EQUUS

WHEREAS, EQUUS is considering a total investment of \$15 million in the upfit of an existing building in the Kings Mountain Corporate Center, and the purchase and installation of machinery & equipment to establish an advanced manufacturing facility with the expectation to complete this investment on or before December 31, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute §158-7.1 authorizes a County to undertake an economic development project by providing grants for the location of industry; and,

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the Company's capital investment in and at the Property and its operations thereat will generate significant ad valorem tax, sales tax and other revenues to the County; and,

WHEREAS, the County will prepare a detailed Economic Development Agreement (EDA), between EQUUS, and the County, to provide a Level One Incentive Grant, so as to induce the company to provide good job opportunities and capital investment which will enhance the County's ability to attract additional business and industry.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners approves a Level One Incentive Grant and authorizes the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, County Manager or designee to execute any documents necessary to complete an Economic Development Agreement for EQUUS.

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I, Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the County Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of action taken by the Board of Commissioners as follows:
