



TITLE: TO AUTHORIZE AN APPLICATION TO THE NC DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION BUILDING REUSE GRANT PROGRAM ON BEHALF OF PROJECT MANITOBA

WHEREAS, Project Manitoba is considering a total investment of \$7,000,000 to expand its existing operations within Gaston County; 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, the Gaston County Board of Commissioners finds that it is in the best interests of the County to assist Project Manitoba in completing a NCDOC Rural Economic Development Division Building Reuse Grant Application. The required local match will be the Local Investment Grant previously approved; and,

WHEREAS, this will potentially increase property and sales tax revenue based upon Project Manitoba choosing to locate its manufacturing plant in Gaston County; and,

WHEREAS, the Gaston County Board of Commissioners desires to support this manufacturing operation 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 ORDAINED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Economic Development Commission to execute any documents necessary to complete this NCDOC Rural Economic Development Division Building Reuse Grant Application on behalf of Project Manitoba.

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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: