## NORTH CAROLINA WAYNE COUNTY

## RESOLUTION #2022-27: A RESOLUTION TO PLACE A ONE-QUARTER OF ONE CENT LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX ON THE NOVEMBER 8, 2022 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT IN WAYNE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

WHEREAS, the North Carolina General Assembly has authorized County Boards of Commissioners across the State of North Carolina to levy a one-quarter of one cent (.25% of one penny) county sales and use tax, contingent on an advisory referendum in which the majority of those casting ballots in the County vote for the levy of the tax; and

WHEREAS, the Wayne County Board of Commissioners believes in providing its citizens the best possible services; and

WHEREAS, the Wayne County Board of Commissioners recognizes the local option sales tax does not burden the property owners as is done when increasing the local property tax rate; and

WHEREAS, the Wayne County Board of Commissioners will use the funds for mandated services and possibly to lower the local property tax rate; and

WHEREAS, .one cent of local property tax equates to approximately \$900,000 per year, versus \$2.8 million in revenue from one-fourth of a penny in sales tax revenue; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of a one-quarter cent local option sales tax (excluding gas, prescription medication, and non-prepared foods or groceries) is anticipated to generate approximately \$2.8 million in revenue per year in Wayne County.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Wayne County Board of Commissioners hereby directs the Wayne County Board of Elections as follows:

- 1. Conduct an advisory referendum on the question of whether to levy a local sales and use tax in the county as provided in N.C. General Statute §105-535 et seq.
- 2. The election shall be held on the November 8, 2022 General Election and shall be held in accordance with the procedures of N.C. General Statute §163-287.
- 3. The form of the question to be presented on a ballot for the election concerning the levy of the tax is established by the NC General Statutes as:

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Local sales and use tax at the rate of one-quarter percent (0.25%) In addition to all other State and local sales and use taxes.

Adopted this the 19th day of July, 2022.

Jog C. Daughtery, Chairman Wayne County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Kayla Whitley
Deputy Clerk to the Board