STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

RESOLUTION NO. 1234-R2023

A RESOLUTION

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AUTHORIZING THE LANCASTER COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO PROCEED WITH THE FINAL DESIGN OF THE DETENTION CENTER PROJECT AT A COST OF APPROXIMATELY \$90,000,000

WHEREAS, Lancaster County, South Carolina (the "County") has a legal obligation to provide detention center facilities and space for a Magistrate's courtroom and office; and

WHEREAS, the County has been advised that its current detention center facilities do not meet the required standards; and

WHEREAS, the County has determined that it is not feasible to renovate and upgrade its current facilities to meet the required standards; and

WHEREAS, Lancaster County Council (the "Council") has heretofore approved a plan to construct and equip a new detention center including a Magistrate's office and land acquisition at an original cost of \$55,000,000 (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, due to unforeseen economic circumstances which have led to extreme inflationary pressures on construction projects as well as design standard changes to address the evolving Department of Corrections standards for classification of inmates at intake and in order to address future expansion of the Detention Center, the current estimate for the cost of the Project is approximately \$90,000,000; and

WHEREAS, the Council has been informed that all reasonable efforts have been made to reduce the cost of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the County intends to fund the Project from the following sources:

(a) Surplus revenue derived from the capital project sales tax imposed in the County pursuant to a referendum held in the County on November 4, 2014 (the "Surplus Revenue");

(b) Proceeds of installment purchase revenue bonds issued in the par amount as necessary to fund the remainder of the Project; and

(c) Sales tax revenue in the amount of \$30,133,800 approved in the referendum held in the County on November 3, 2020, will be used to pay a portion of the cost of acquiring, constructing and equipping the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council as follows:

1. The Council hereby authorizes the County Administrator to proceed with the final design of the Project at a cost of approximately \$90,000,000.

AND IT IS SO RESOLVED, THIS 11TH DAY OF APRIL, 2023.

LANCASTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

Steve Harper, Chair, Council

Attest:

Billy Mosteller, Secretary, Council

Sherrie Simpson, Clerk to Council

Approved as to form:

Virginia L Merck-Dupont, County Attorney