

## RESOLUTION

**A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT THE CERTIFYING OFFICER AND ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER FOR ALL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS AS REQUIRED BY FEDERAL REGULATIONS FOR A PROJECT FUNDED BY CONGRESSIONALLY DIRECTED SPENDING GRANTS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

### WITNESSETH:

**WHEREAS**, Baldwin County (the “County”) is a duly formed political subdivision of the State of Georgia;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia has been named a recipient of a congressionally directed spending grant of funds (“Grant”) from the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (“HUD”);

**WHEREAS**, the Grant will provide funds for a project in the County to convert the Collins P Lee Community Center into a state of the art library (the “Project”);

**WHEREAS**, 24 CFR Part 58 requires the County to be the Responsible Entity for environmental compliance associated with the Project;

**WHEREAS**, 24 CFR Part 58 requires the County, as the Responsible Entity, to designate a Certifying Officer to ensure compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and to ensure that compliance with all federal laws and authorities have been achieved;

**WHEREAS**, 24 CFR Part 58 requires the County, as the Responsible Entity, to designate an Environmental Officer who will be responsible for conducting the environmental review process associated with the Project;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the County to designate County Manager Carlos Tobar as the Certifying Officer and Environmental Officer for the Project in accordance with 24 CFR Part 58; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of Baldwin County, Georgia, and it is hereby resolved by authority of the same, as follows:

- 1. Incorporation of Recitals.** The above stated recitals are true and correct and are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.
- 2. Appointment of Certifying Officer.** The Board of Commissioners hereby appoints and designates County Manager Carlos Tobar as the Certifying Officer, to ensure compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), all applicable federal laws and authorities, and all other duties and responsibilities required to be performed

by the Certifying Officer in accordance with the Project and the Grant.

3. **Appointment of Environmental Officer.** The Board of Commissioners hereby appoints and designates County Manager Carlos Tobar as the Environmental Officer responsible for conducting the environmental review, all tasks related thereto, and all other duties and responsibilities required to be performed in accordance with the Project and the Grant.
4. **Other Actions Authorized.** The County Manager shall be authorized to take any other action necessary or reasonably required to carry out, give effect to, and consummate the appointments of Certifying Officer and Environmental Officer, and to take all action necessary in conformity therewith.
5. **Severability.** In case any one or more of the provisions of this resolution shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this resolution, but this resolution shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provision had not been contained herein.
6. **Repeal of Conflicting Resolutions.** Any and all resolutions in conflict with this resolution this day passed be and they are hereby repealed.
7. **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**SO RESOLVED**, this \_\_\_\_ day of July, 2023.

BALDWIN COUNTY, GEORGIA

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Honorable Emily C. Davis  
Chair, Baldwin County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Cynthia K. Cunningham  
Baldwin County Clerk

DATE ADOPTED \_\_\_\_\_

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