



**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT TO MOORE COUNTY LEGISLATION INCREASING
INTERBASIN AND SUBBASIN ALLOWABLE TRANSFERS**

WHEREAS, being a desirable place to work, live, and raise a family, Town of Robbins and Moore County continues to experience population growth; and

WHEREAS, to support and sustain continued growth, Town of Robbins and Moore County is looking to the future in identifying and securing additional water; and

WHEREAS, Moore County's current Maximum Day supply is approximately 6.838 Million Gallons per Day (MGD); and

WHEREAS, current projections, allowing for an industrial reserve, indicate that Maximum Day demand will surpass Maximum Day supply as early as 2026; and

WHEREAS, Moore County water sources currently include well water provided by Moore County owned sources; and well and surface water from the Town of Aberdeen, Town of Southern Pines, and Hamett County; and

WHEREAS, Moore County continues to look for potential well sites; however, this source will not meet future needs; and

WHEREAS, in identifying future sources, Deep River could be a viable option; however, this option is severely restricted by the current Interbasin and Subbasin regulations; and

WHEREAS, language originally included in proposed in Senate Bill 673 (S673) would have increased the allowable, average Interbasin transfer from 2.0 MGD to 5.0 MGD; and increased the allowable max single day transfer from 3.0 MGD to 7.5 MGD; and

WHEREAS, although S673 has passed the Senate and House, through various iterations, the Interbasin and Subbasin language was removed; and

WHEREAS, the Deep River option provides opportunities of "regionalizing" the system by incorporating the Town of Robbins, which owns an existing 100,000,000+ reservoir and other system assets, and potentially allowing Moore County to partner with other local municipalities that have indicated a need for additional water; and

WHEREAS, Moore County recognizes an increase from 2.0 MGD to 5.0 MGD average transfer and from 3.0 MGD to 7.5 MGD max single day transfer are large increases; and

WHEREAS, increases of lesser amounts to the Interbasin and Sub basin transfers could be beneficial to Moore County allowing Deep River to continue being considered as a viable future water source.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Town of Robbins supports our local representatives, as well as the entire North Carolina General Assembly, to increase Interbasin and Subbasin allowable transfers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Town of Robbins requests that any and all options of increasing the allowable transfers be explored during the current session; and if not successful, to be a top priority in the next session.

Adopted this ____ day of August, 2023.

Cameron Dockery, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jessica Coltrane, CMC, Town Clerk