



**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION  
TO THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT, IF AWARDED, A BUILDING REUSE GRANT  
TO BENEFIT AMERICAN SEWING CORP**

**WHEREAS**, the Jackson County Board of Commissioners has indicated its desire to assist in economic development efforts for business and industry within Jackson County; and

**WHEREAS**, American Sewing Corp, a North Carolina corporation, (hereinafter sometimes referred to as “American Sewing”) is a local firm that is a contract manufacturer of textile products for various applications in Jackson County; and

**WHEREAS**, American Sewing currently employs 36 people and makes and sells a variety of textile accessories providing a full service textile manufacturing; and

**WHEREAS**, American Sewing is planning to expand their existing facility located at 95 Harold Street in Sylva (the "Facility") as an integral piece of its plan to add an additional 12,000 square feet and a renovated portion of its existing building and plans to invest over \$2.2 million and creating 12 new full-time project related jobs that pay an average wage of \$18.00/hour, not including benefits, in the County (the "Project"); and

**WHEREAS**, American Sewing has been working with the North Carolina Department of Commerce, Rural Infrastructure Authority for a Building Reuse Grant in the amount of \$60,000 for general purposes related to the addition and renovation of the Facility and the creation and retention of jobs in the course of completing the renovations and construction; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board fully supports the proposed addition and renovation project by American Sewing and wishes to pursue a formal application for Building Reuse Grant funds and the Board certifies that it will provide the 5% match required (\$3,000) and will meet all other requirements of the North Carolina Department of Commerce.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of Jackson County, North Carolina, as follows:

1. That the Chairman of the Jackson County Board of Commissioners or the County Manager, is hereby authorized to submit a formal application to the North Carolina Department of Commerce in the amount of \$60,000 in order to provide assistance to benefit American Sewing Corp. for expansion and renovation of their facility and, if the grant is awarded, to execute such documents necessary, subject to a pre-audit certificate by the County Finance Officer, and to accept the grant and provide a matching grant of \$3,000 representing 5% of the grant.
2. This Resolution is effective upon its adoption.

Adopted October \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
BRIAN THOMAS MCMAHAN, Chairman

Attest:

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ANGELA M. WINCHESTER, Clerk to the Board