

A RESOLUTION

ORDERING A SPECIAL REFERENDUM TO BE HELD IN THE MACEDONIA FIRE DISTRICT, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON THE QUESTION OF INCREASING THE OPERATIONAL TAX MILLAGE OF THE MACEDONIA FIRE DISTRICT, SOUTH CAROLINA; PROVIDING FOR THE FORM OF THE BALLOT TO BE USED; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF THE REFERENDUM; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Fire Control (the “**Board**”), the governing body of the Macedonia Fire District (the “**District**”), in a meeting duly assembled, as follows:

Section 1 Findings. The Board makes the following findings of fact in connection with the adoption of this resolution (this “**Resolution**”):

(a) The District was created and established as a body politic and corporate by Act No. 1043 of the Acts and Joint Resolutions of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, Regular Session of 1970, as amended by subsequent acts of the General Assembly (the “**Act**”).

(b) In accordance with the Act and the general laws of the State of South Carolina, the Auditor and Treasurer of Cherokee County are directed to levy and collect a tax of not more than 8 mills, to be determined by the Board, upon all taxable property of the District for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Board.

(c) Section 6-11-273 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (“**Section 6-11-273**”), provides that the District may request the Cherokee County Board of Voter Registration and Elections (the “**Election Commission**”), as the commissioners of election in Cherokee County, to hold a referendum in the District to propose a change in the tax millage of the District.

(d) The Board has determined that the financial needs of the District, taking into account the safety and welfare of the citizens residing within the area of the District, and compliance with current operating regulations, guidelines, and standards, strongly justify an increase in authorized operational tax millage of the District from 8 mills to 20 mills.

Section 2 Order to Hold Referendum. Pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Constitution and laws of the State of South Carolina (the “**State**”), there is hereby ordered a tax levy referendum to be held in the District (the “**Referendum**”) on November 4, 2025, or such other date as may be determined by the Chairman of the Board in consultation with the Election Commission. On the date of the Referendum, there shall be submitted to all persons residing in the District and qualified to vote under the Constitution and laws of the State the question of whether the District shall be authorized and empowered to increase its operating millage cap to 20 mills.

Section 3 Voting and Polling Places. The Referendum shall be conducted by the Election Commission. The voting precincts and polling places for each precinct shall be those established by the Election Commission (acting pursuant to State law) within the District.

Section 4 Ballot Question. The Election Commission is requested to conduct the Referendum in accordance with State law. Subject to the approval of the Election Commission, the form of ballot to be used in the Referendum and the instructions to voters appearing thereon shall be in substantially the form set forth in **Appendix A** hereto (the “**Ballot Question**”), with such other changes as may be deemed necessary by the Chairman of the Board upon consultation with the executive director of the Election Commission.

Section 5 Conduct of Referendum. The Election Commission shall conduct the Referendum pursuant to Section 6-11-273 and under the election laws of the State, *mutatis mutandis*. At the Referendum, all qualified electors desiring to vote in favor of the Ballot Question shall vote “yes”, and all qualified electors opposed to Ballot Question shall vote “no.”

Section 6 Notice of Referendum. A notice of the Referendum (the “**Notice**”), substantially in the form set forth in **Appendix B** hereto, shall be published in compliance with the provisions of Section 6-11-273 and Section 7-13-35 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended. The Chairman of the Board shall be authorized to approve such additions or revisions to the Notice as he shall deem necessary in collaboration with the Election Commission. The Election Commission is authorized to change any of the locations of polling places for the Referendum in accordance with State law as deemed necessary or advisable. In the event of such change, appropriate changes shall be made to the Notice.

Section 7 Registration and the Election Commission. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be filed with the Election Commission, and the Election Commission is hereby requested as follows:

- (a) to join in the action of the District in providing for the Notice and the ballot in substantially the forms contained herein;
- (b) to prescribe the form of ballot to be used in the Referendum;
- (c) to arrange for polling places for each precinct or portions thereof within the District;
- (d) to appoint Managers of Election;
- (e) to provide a sufficient number of ballots or voting machines, as the case may be, for the Referendum;
- (f) to conduct the Referendum, receive the returns thereof, canvass such returns, declare the results thereof, and certify such results to the Board; and

(g) take other steps and prepare such other means as shall be necessary or required by law in order to properly conduct the Referendum.

DONE IN A MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED this 8th day of July 2025.

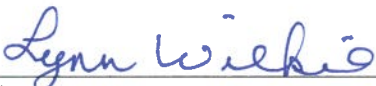
**MACEDONIA FIRE DISTRICT,
SOUTH CAROLINA**

(SEAL)



Chairman
Board of Fire Control

Attest:



Secretary
Board of Fire Control

**APPENDIX A
FORM OF BALLOT**

**OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR REFERENDUM
TAX LEVY REFERENDUM
MACEDONIA FIRE DISTRICT, SOUTH CAROLINA
November 4, 2025**

Precinct____
No. _____

Initials of Issuing Officer

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Question

Do you favor the levy and collection of a tax of not more than 20.0 mills upon all of the taxable property in the Macedonia Fire District for the purposes of paying the operational costs of the Macedonia Fire District?

Yes, in favor of the question [☐]

No, opposed to the question [☐]

If you are in favor of the question, place a check or cross-mark in the square after the words "Yes, in favor of the question"; if you are opposed to the question, place a check or cross-mark in the square after the words "No, opposed to the question."