ORDINANCE NO. 2026-29

TO AMEND SECTION 6-1, *et seq*., OF THE CHEROKEE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING THE ADOPTION OF TECHNICAL CODES

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 6-9-5, *et. seq*., of the South Carolina Code of Laws (1976, as amended), it is mandated that counties shall adopt by reference only the latest editions of the following nationally recognized codes and the standards referenced in those codes for regulation of construction within their respective jurisdictions: building, residential, gas, plumbing, mechanical, fire, and energy codes as promulgated, published, or made available by the International Code Council, Inc. and the National Electrical Code as published by the National Fire Protection Association;

WHEREAS, in order to comply with the laws of the State of South Carolina: the Cherokee County Code of Ordinances Section 6-1 shall be amended to read as follows:

The latest edition of the following nationally known codes for the regulation of construction and building safety standards are hereby adopted by reference and shall be in final force and effect in Cherokee County, South Carolina upon the effective date of January 1, 2027.

a) **2024 South Carolina Building Code or the 2024 International Building Code with SC modifications, including Chapter 1, Administration.**
b) **2024 South Carolina Residential Code or the 2024 International Residential Code with SC modifications, including Chapter 1, Administration.**
c) **2024 South Carolina Fire Code or the 2024 International Fire Code with SC modifications, including Chapter 1, Administration.**
d) **2024 South Carolina Plumbing Code or the 2024 International Plumbing Code with SC modifications, including Chapter 1, Administration.**
e) **2024 South Carolina Mechanical Code or the 2024 International Mechanical Code with SC modifications, including Chapter 1, Administration.**
f) **2024 South Carolina Fuel Gas Code or the 2024 International Fuel Gas Code with SC modifications, including Chapter 1, Administration.**
g) **2009 International Energy Conservation Code, including Chapter 1, Administration.**
h) **2024 International Property Maintenance Code with the substitution of Chapter 1 with the Cherokee County Property Maintenance Code Administration Chapter 1 incorporated herein.**
i) **2024 International Swimming Pool and Spa Code, including Chapter 1, Administration.**
j) **2024 International Existing Building Code, including Chapter 1, Administration.**
k) **2023 National Electrical Code (NFPA 70) with SC modifications.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ADOPTED BY THE CHEROKEE COUNTY COUNCIL AT GAFFNEY, SOUTH CAROLINA, IN MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED THIS 2ND DAY OF NOVEMBER. 2027.

CHEROKEE COUNTY COUNCIL

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Timothy F. Spencer, Chairman, Dist. 4

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David Smith, Vice-Chairman, Dist. 6

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Teresa Bonner, Dist. 1

(Vacant)_____
Dist. 2

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Donnie Hardin, Dist. 3

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Elliott Hughes, Dist. 5

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Peter Wilkins, Dist. 7

ATTEST: _____
Doris F. Pearson, Master Clerk to Council

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Public Hearing:	**11/02/26**
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