## JOINT RESOLUTION BETWEEN THE EDGECOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, THE NASH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, THE EDGECOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, AND THE NASH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO ADOPT THE JOINTLY DRAFTED WRITTEN PLAN OF TRANSFER REGARDING THE TRANSITION TO COUNTY-LINE SCHOOL SYSTEMS

**WHEREAS**, the Edgecombe County Board of Education, the Nash County Board of Education, the Edgecombe County Board of Commissioners, and the Nash County Board of Commissioners (the "Boards") are committed to providing a quality education to every child in Edgecombe and Nash counties; and

**WHEREAS**, since Rocky Mount City Schools merged with Nash County Schools in 1991, all children living on the Edgecombe County side of Rocky Mount who attend public schools have matriculated to schools within the Nash County Public School System; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with 2023 North Carolina Session Law 2023-37 (S.B. 248) (the "2023 Session Law"), effective July 1, 2024, the boundaries of the Nash County School Administrative Unit shall be identical to the boundaries of Nash County and any portion of Rocky Mount previously part of the Nash County School Administrative Unit while being located outside of Nash County shall be annexed to the Edgecombe County School Administrative Unit; and

**WHEREAS**, therefore, beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, children residing on the Edgecombe County side of Rocky Mount who attend public schools will now attend the Edgecombe County Public School System; and

WHEREAS, in addition to redefining the boundaries of Nash County Public Schools and Edgecombe County Public Schools to be consistent with county lines, the 2023 Session Law also requires the respective boards of education, in consultation with the boards of county commissioners, to submit a written plan of transfer setting forth the agreement of all four boards as to the transfer of that portion of the Nash School Administrative Unit located in Edgecombe County to the Edgecombe County School Administrative Unit (the "Transfer"); and

WHEREAS, leadership and staff of the Boards have met regularly during the last year to consider, plan for, and resolve issues related to the Transfer and have now prepared and submitted for joint approval by the Boards the attached written plan of transfer (the "Transfer Plan"), which includes respective components for Edgecombe County Public Schools and Nash County Public Schools, and each of the Boards does desire to authorize its respective Superintendent or Manager to submit the Transfer Plan to the State Board of Education in accordance with the 2023 Session Law; and

**WHEREAS**, the Boards have identified no remaining issues they believe cannot be resolved by the continuing cooperation of the parties; and

WHEREAS, each board adopting the foregoing resolution does hereby express its thanks and appreciation to the remaining boards and their staff for the spirit of cooperation and the commitment to providing an excellent education to all children of Edgecombe and Nash counties that allowed all of those involved to the prepare for the adoption of a plan of transfer that will comply with all laws and regulations, permit the smooth transfer of students, schools, assets, liabilities, and all other instructional materials from Nash County Public Schools to Edgecombe County Public Schools, and to ensure that the Transfer Plan accomplishes the mutual goal of the Boards to provide an excellent education to all students of Edgecombe and Nash counties.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of these and other relevant matters, the Edgecombe County Board of Education, the Nash County Board of Education, the Edgecombe County Board of Commissioners, and the Nash County Board of Commissioners do hereby jointly adopt the attached Transfer Plan and do each direct its respective Superintendent or Manager to submit the Transfer Plan to the State Board of Education prior to November 15, 2023 in accordance with the 2023 Session Law.

Adopted this the day of November, 2023.

EDGECOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION	NASH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Dr. Evelyn Wilson, Chairperson	Dr. LaShawnda Washington, Chair
ATTEST:	ATTEST:
Dr. Andy Bryan, Superintendent	Dr. Steve Ellis, Superintendent
EDGECOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS	NASH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Mr. Loopard Wigging Chairman	Turl & Daie
Mr. Leonard Wiggins, Chairman	Mr. Robbie B. Davis, Chairman
ATTEST:	ATTEST:
Ms. Frangie Mungo, Clerk to the Board	Ms. Janice Evans, Clerk to the Board