TOWN OF Summerfield

TOWN RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NAME: **PRESERVATION OF THE ALEXANDER STRONG MARTIN HOUSE**

RESOLUTION #: RES-2015-007

ORIGINAL ADOPTION DATE: 12-8-15
ORIGINAL EFFECTIVE DATE: 12-8-15

WHEREAS, the Summerfield Town Council agreed November 10, 2015, to the pending purchase of a 0.62-acre property at 4118 Oak Ridge Road containing one of the oldest homes (circa late 1830s) in Summerfield known as the "Alexander Strong Martin House" with connections to Governor Alexander Martin; and,

WHEREAS, the property is important geographically amid US-220, NC-150/Oak Ridge Road, and Summerfield Road and falls within several zoning and overlay districts, including the National Historic Preservation District, Town Core Mixed Use Overlay, US-220 Scenic Corridor Overlay, and NC-150 Scenic Corridor Overlay; and,

WHEREAS, Town leadership indicated a commitment in 2013 to the crossroads area and honoring past citizen investment in its town hall; the Gordon property acquisition demonstrated further preservation efforts in the vicinity; and, this purchase affords a cohesiveness of the intersection area as a historical focal point and attractive junction of existing structures and scenic corridors; and,

WHEREAS, the Town's desire is to preserve the primary brick structure, excluding later add-ons, and no known preservation obstacles exist per the NC Historic Preservation Office; and,

WHEREAS, the actions are consistent with the Town's attentiveness to historic preservation per Policy Area 11 of the Summerfield Comprehensive Plan and efforts would positively touch on several Plan focus points, including historic preservation, community character preservation, attractive community appearance, and Summerfield Road focus.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Summerfield Town Council adopt and endorse the "Preservation of the Alexander Strong Martin House" resolution to use and preserve the house as an integral part of Summerfield's future.

Adopted this 8th day of December, 2015.

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Tim Sessoms, Mayor

Valarie R. Halvorsen

Valarie R. Halvorsen, Town Clerk

(Town Seal)