

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Resolution No.: 2021-25

COUNTY OF PICKENS

Urging the South Carolina Legislature to Provide Funding for the Pickens Regional Joint Water System's New Water Treatment Facility on Lake Keowee

WHEREAS, the Pickens Regional Joint Water System is a joint water authority composed of Pickens County Water Authority, City of Pickens, Easley-Central Water District, Six Mile Rural Community Water District, and City of Liberty;

WHEREAS, the Pickens Regional Joint Water System was formed for the purpose of obtaining a water source from Lake Keowee for the long-term drinking water needs of Pickens County;

WHEREAS, the members of the Pickens Regional Joint Water System are taking a regional approach by joining together to build one large water treatment facility that will replace filter plants and water imported from outside the County;

WHEREAS, the facility will be a 12 million gallons-per-day (GPD) plant, expandable to 16 million GPD, that will interconnect with all the members of the Pickens Regional Joint Water System;

WHEREAS, the facility will give Pickens County a local source of drinking water to serve the County's growing population and economic development opportunities today and into the future;

WHEREAS, the projected cost of the treatment facility, transmission lines, water storage, and infrastructure to serve the county is \$60.6 million;

WHEREAS, the Pickens Regional Joint Water System is requesting \$40 million in state funding for the new treatment facility;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Council that the Pickens County Council supports \$40 million in state funding for the new water treatment facility and encourages the Pickens County legislative delegation to make every effort to secure this funding for the citizens of Pickens County and for the future of Pickens County.

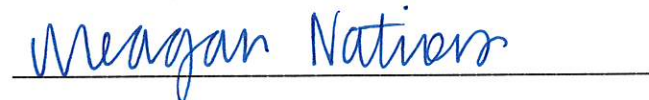
Passed and approved this 6 day of December, 2021.

PICKENS COUNTY COUNCIL



Chris Bowers, Chairman

Attest:



Meagan Nations, Clerk of Pickens County Council