

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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COUNTY OF PICKENS)

RESOLUTION # 2023-25

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PICKENS COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT AND THE PICKENS COUNTY E-911 DEPARTMENT TO ACT IN FURTHERANCE OF THEIR EXISTING MANDATE AS COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCIES AS WELL AS TO APPLY FOR APPROPRIATE ORIGINATING AGENCY IDENTIFIERS, ALONG WITH MATTERS REALTED THERETO.

WHEREAS Pickens County, South Carolina (the "County") is a political subdivision of the State of South Carolina and is authorized to enact regulations, resolutions, and ordinances, not inconsistent with the Constitution and general law of this State, including the exercise of general powers in relation to safety within the community as it appears to be necessary and proper for the security, general welfare, and convenience of the County and preserving health, peace, order, and good government within the County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said above described powers, the duly elected Council of Pickens County has established both an Environmental Enforcement Department and an E911 Dispatch Department ("Departments") by previous legislative and budgetary actions; and

WHEREAS, the International Justice and Public Safety Network ("NLETS") is a not-for-profit computer-based message switching system that links together and supports state, local, and federal law enforcement, justice, and public safety agency for the purposes of sharing and exchanging critical information.

WHEREAS, NLETS assigns public safety agencies such as the Departments with an Originating Agency Identifier ("ORI"), a nine-character code that identifies a particular agency or terminal within the NLETS database, which then serves as an authentication for a public safety agency for electronic communication, and electronic database access (via the National Crime Information Center), as well as specialized public safety training purposes (via the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy);

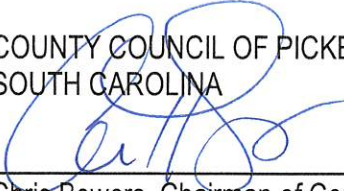
WHEREAS, the efficient and effective operation of the above referenced Departments should include participation in the NLETS system, including the issuance of an ORI for each of the Departments;

NOW THEREFORE, the Duly elected County Council of Pickens County does hereby find and resolve as follows:

1. That the Pickens County Environmental Enforcement Department is a duly authorized public safety agency, empowered to enforce County Ordinances and the general laws of the State as they relate to litter, trash, illegal dumping, unsecured loads, county development standards, junkyards, abandoned vehicles, and property maintenance.
2. That the Pickens County E911 Dispatch Department is a duly authorized public safety agency, empowered to utilize the County's electronic communications infrastructure for local emergency services purposes.
3. Both Departments are hereby authorized to apply for an ORI through NLETS, and to utilize said ORI once issued in the furtherance of their respective training, certifications, and/or emergency communications.

Resolved and Approved, this 6th day of September, 2023.

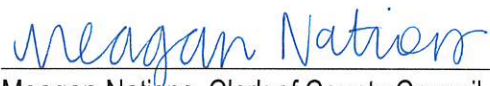
COUNTY COUNCIL OF PICKENS COUNTY,
SOUTH CAROLINA



Chris Bowers, Chairman of County Council
Pickens County, South Carolina

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Attest:



Meagan Nations, Clerk of County Council
Pickens County, South Carolina