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April 21, 2026

Honorable City Council
City of Laurel, Jones County MS
P O Box 647
Laurel, Mississippi 39437-0647

RE: Laurel Machine & Foundry Co.

Enclosed please find an Application for Ad Valorem Tax Exemption, Exhibit, and Resolutions, in triplicate, for the above taxpayer's personal property additions/expansions acquired in 2025.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Christine Rollins

Christine Rollins *for*
Laurel Machine & Foundry Co.
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cc: Trent Mulloy, President

Enclosures

APPLICATION FOR AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION

AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 27-31-101, et seq., MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, AS AMENDED

NAME OF ENTERPRISE LAUREL MACHINE & FOUNDRY CO.

PHYSICAL ADDRESS 810 FRONT STREET

TYPE OF INDUSTRY MANUFACTURING PRODUCT/SERVICE METAL SERVICE

LOCATION-COUNTY JONES CITY LAUREL

DATE OF COMPLETION 12/31/2025 YEARS REQUESTED 10 YEARS

NEW (SECTION 27-31-101) _____ EXPANSION (SECTION 27-31-105) X

NEW JOBS _____ ESTIMATED PAYROLL _____

TRUE VALUE OF PROPERTY EXEMPTION $ 547,787 *Attach an Itemized list of property to be exemption as "Exhibit A".

The Applicant requests that the Board approve this application by an order spread on its minutes declaring that the above property be exempt from all ad valorem taxation except school taxation for the period requested. The applicant further requests that the application and certified approval of exemption be forwarded to the Department of Revenue and upon approval and certification by the Department, the Board enter a final order on its minutes granting the exemption. The above information is true and correct as certified by the Applicant. This application is submitted on the 21st day of April, 20 26.

LAUREL MACHINE & FOUNDRY CO.

Applicant

BY: _____

Title: President

Attest: Christine Rollins

APPLICATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL
OF
LAUREL, MISSISSIPPI
FOR EXEMPTION FROM
AD VALOREM TAXES

APPLICATION OF **LAUREL MACHINE & FOUNDRY COMPANY**
FOR EXEMPTION FROM
AD VALOREM TAXES FOR A PERIOD OF
10 YEARS AS AUTHORIZED BY
SECTION 27-31-105, et seq., OF THE
MISSISSIPPI CODE OF1972, AS AMENDED

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF LAUREL, MISSISSIPPI:

Comes now **Laurel Machine & Foundry Company** (the "Applicant") and files this its Application in triplicate for exemption from ad valorem taxation, except school district taxes and the "mandated levies" described in Code Section 27-39-329 and respectfully represents unto the Honorable City Council of Laurel, Mississippi as follows:

1. Applicant has negotiated in good faith with the City Council as to the ad valorem tax exemption authorized by Code Section 27-31-105 and related Code Sections.

2. Applicant, Laurel Machine & Foundry Company, is a Mississippi Corporation and domiciled in the City of Laurel, Jones County, Mississippi.

3. Applicant is now operating as a manufacturing type of industry within the City of Laurel, which factory is a bona fide expanded enterprise of "public utility" within the meaning of Section 27-31-105 et seq., and related Sections of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, which has made additions to or expansions of its facilities or properties or replacement of equipment used in connection with or necessary to the operation of such enterprise.

4. The Applicant is therefore eligible for the exemption granted by Code Section 27-31-105 as a manufacturing enterprise described in Code Section 27-31-101.

5. The exemption prayed for in this Application is with regard to additions to, expansions of, or replacements with respect to Applicant's said enterprise of "public utility" as enumerated in Code Section 27-31-101 et seq., and related Sections of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, and is eligible for the exemption, namely Mississippi Code Annotated Section 27-31-105, which expansions, additions, and replacements will promote the industrialization of Mississippi, and will promote the development of the City of Laurel, Jones County, Mississippi.

6. Applicant has expanded and upgraded its facilities with additions and replacements during 2025. This Application relates to the additions and replacements (as listed in "Exhibit A" hereto) acquired as a result of such additions, expansions and replacements.

7. Applicant's additions, expansions, and replacements, which are the subject of this Application, were completed within the meaning of the applicable statutes of the State of Mississippi on December 31, 2025. In accordance with the provisions of Code Section 27-31-105, the exemption hereby claimed should commence on the 1st day of January 2026.

8. The true value of all property to be exempted is $ 547,787 shown in the itemized list attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and made a part hereof.

9. The exemption from ad valorem taxation, except school district taxes and the "mandated levies", on the tangible property described in "Exhibits A" should be granted for a ten (10) year period beginning on 1st day of January 2026 and ending on the 31st day of December 2035.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays that this City Council of Laurel, Mississippi, enter a finding that the Applicant has negotiated in good faith with the City Council as to the requested exemption; the Applicant has in fact undertaken an addition to, expansion of, or replacement with respect to an enterprise of "public utility"; and that the additions, expansions, and replacements were completed on December 31, 2025 and that the Applicant be granted an exemption, under

Code Section 27-31-105, from ad valorem taxation, except school district ad valorem taxes and the "mandated levies" described in Code Section 27-39-329, as provided by law, for a ten-year period beginning on January 1, 2026 for the items of tangible property used in, or necessary to the operation of the Applicant's expanded enterprise in the City of Laurel, Mississippi and described in "Exhibit A" attached hereto; and

That this City Council of Laurel, Mississippi, approve this Application by an Order of Resolution spread upon its minutes, declaring that such property is exempt from all ad valorem taxation, except school district ad valorem taxes and the "mandated levies", for a period of ten (10) years and forward this Application in triplicate and a certified transcript of such approval to the Mississippi Department of Revenue and that, upon approval of this Application by the Mississippi Department of Revenue and the issuance of its certificate of approval, the City Council of Laurel, Mississippi, will enter a Final Order on its minutes granting the prayed for exemption and notify the County Tax Assessor of such exemption and obtain a certificate of the County Tax Assessor verifying the status of said property as non-taxable on the appropriate tax rolls.

Respectfully submitted, this the 21st day of April 2026.

APPLICANT:

LAUREL MACHINE & FOUNDRY CO.

By: _____

President
Title

ATTEST: Christine Rollins

LAUREL MACHINE & FOUNDRY

Additions/Expansions in 2025

Exhibit "A"

HAWKES MACHINE

100	01/13/25	12	#693 Tooling Package (Nomura Horizontal Boring Milling)	$	48,518.65
100	01/28/25	12	#614 New Motor (Mazak 6800 Horizontal)	$	7,327.82
100	01/28/25	12	#695 GH 10 TON Crane	$	88,436.29
100	02/05/25	12	#698 Phoenix pulldown band saw	$	6,210.87
100	02/06/25	12	#614 Gearbox and repairs (Mazak 6800 Horizontal)	$	12,253.67
100	10/01/25	12	#700 HAAS VF 7/50	$	194,193.10
100	03/19/25	12	#698 Tennant Sweeper	$	13,381.97
				$	**370,322.37**

HAWKES FOUNDRY

100	05/01/25	30	#656 New motor (LL15 Shakeout and Attrition Mill)	$	30,719.61
100	09/22/25	30	#454 Replaced motor (8' Wheelabrator)	$	7,916.34
100	07/07/25	30	#656 New Motor (LL15 Shakeout and Attrition Mill)	$	32,947.00
100	08/27/25	30	#596 Replace control board (Inductotherm Power Unit)	$	13,101.47
				$	**84,684.42**

DOWNTOWN SHOP

100	02/12/25	10	#697 Miller Max Star 210 Tig Welder	$	6,672.40
100	05/15/25	20	#699 Miller Duel Feeder welder	$	7,517.65
100	12/29/25	20	#701 Miller Cobot	$	78,589.96
				$	**92,780.01**

Total Personal Acquisitions:	**$**	**547,786.80**

RESOLUTION GRANTING EXEMPTION

FROM AD VALOREM TAXES

The City Council for the City of Laurel, Jones County, Mississippi, this day considered the matter of granting exemption from ad valorem taxes, except school district taxes, to **Laurel Machine & Foundry Co.** The governing authority finds that the above named enterprise has submitted verification and documentation as to the authenticity and accuracy of the application in regard to the true value of the property to be exempted and the date of completion of said enterprise. The authority also finds that the property described in the application constitutes an industrial enterprise as described in Section 27-31-101, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended.

This governing authority does hereby grant, subject to approval and certification of the Mississippi Department of Revenue, ad valorem tax exemption to the above taxpayer for an initial period of 10 years, beginning January 1, 2026, on the property described in the application with a total true value of $ 547,787.

Therefore, the resolution to grant ad valorem tax exemption to the above named enterprise is hereby approved by the City Council, for the City of Laurel, Jones County, Mississippi for an initial period of 10 years as authorized by Section 27-31-101 et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, on this the _____ day of_____, 2026.

_____

Granting Authority

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Name & Title

(SEAL)

Attest: