RESOLUTION

(Authorizing Mayor Johnny Magee, Acting on Behalf of the City of Laurel, to Execute the First Amendment to a Lease Agreement Between the City and the National Railroad Passenger Corporation for a Specified Portion of the Laurel Train Station)

WHEREAS, by Council Resolution of April 5, 1994, the City of Laurel accepted a warranty deed from the Alabama Great Southern Railroad Company for "property and building commonly known as the Depot" in exchange for execution of a lease with Amtrak for "use of the ticket office and waiting room"; and

WHEREAS, terms of the original lease, which expired on June 30, 2008 and specified in part that the "Lessee shall pay to Lessor rent at the rate of One Dollar (\$1.00) per year in advance," were renewed by Council Resolution of February 21, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the National Railroad Passenger Corporation has submitted to the City of Laurel the *First Amendment to Station Lease* for execution upon expiration of the current lease on June 30, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Laurel City Council finds it to be in the best interest of the City of Laurel to continue honoring the agreement established with the Alabama Great Southern Railroad Company on April 5, 1994 under terms and conditions of the amended agreement submitted by the National Railroad Passenger Corporation

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Laurel City Council that the *First Amendment to Station Lease*, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, be approved and that Mayor Johnny Magee, acting on behalf of the City of Laurel, be authorized to sign same. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Finance Director be authorized to perform whatever budgetary transactions are necessary for implementation of the foregoing Resolution.

Motion was made by <u>Councilperson Capers</u> and seconded by <u>Councilperson Wheat</u>, for the adoption of the above and foregoing Resolution.

Upon roll call vote, the result was as follows:

YEAS: Capers, Wheat, Thaxton, Carmichael, S. Comegys, T. Comegys, Page

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

The President thereupon declared the motion carried and the Resolution be adopted this the <u>6th</u> day of <u>MARCH</u>, A.D. 2018.

President of the City Council

ATTESTED AND SUBMITTED TO THE MAYOR BY THE CLERK OF THE COUNCIL ON THIS THE ______day of ______, 2018.

Clerk of the Council

APPROVED () DATE _____

VETOED () DATE _____

ATTEST:

MAYOR

CITY CLERK

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