ORDINANCE 2022/37

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH PUBLIC OWNERSHIP OF THE REAL PROPERTY WITH TMS NO. R800 021 000 006C 0000 AND R800 021 000 006B 0000 COLLECTIVELY COMMONLY KNOWN AS MELROSE LANDING

WHEREAS, Beaufort County ("County") provides the residents of the County with a ferry transportation service from the mainland to Daufuskie Island ("Ferry Service") which requires an embarkation location on both the mainland as well as on Daufuskie Island; and

WHEREAS, in order for the County to continue providing the Ferry Service, the County must establish a permanent Daufuskie Island embarkation location with public parking to serve the residents of Beaufort County now and in the future; and

WHEREAS, the best site for the Ferry Service Daufuskie Island embarkation location has been identified as the real property consisting of approximately 4.01 acres on Melrose Landing Road on Daufuskie Island, and further identified with TMS NO. R800 021 000 006C 0000 AND R800 021 000 006B 0000, collectively hereinafter referred to as the "Property"; and

WHEREAS, the purchase price for the Property must be at the current fair market value which will be determined by a licensed appraiser and by way of negotiating with the current Property owner; and

WHEREAS, funding for the purchase of the Property will be appropriated from use of General Fund – Fund balance in an amount not to exceed \$900,000 plus closing costs and legal fees; and

WHEREAS, County Council finds that it is in the best interest of the citizens and residents of Beaufort County to appropriate funds as described herein for the purchase of the Property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by Beaufort County Council, duly assembled, authorization to appropriate funds from General Fund – Fund balance in an amount not to exceed \$900,000 plus closing costs and legal fees in order to establish public ownership of the real property with TMS NO. R800 021 000 006C 0000 AND R800 021 000 006B 0000, located on Melrose Landing Road on Daufuskie Island.

Adopted this 12th day of September 2022.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF BEAUFORT COUNTY

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ATTEST:

Sarah W. Brock, Clerk to Council

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