

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CABARRUS STANLY
UNION REGIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, citizens and property within Union County are subject to the effects of natural hazards that can cause loss of life and damage to property, and with the knowledge and experience that certain areas of the County are vulnerable to drought, extreme heat, hailstorms, hurricanes and tropical storms, lightning, thunderstorms, high winds, tornados, winter storms and freezes, floods, hazardous material incidents, and wildfires; and

WHEREAS, Union County desires to seek ways to mitigate the impact of identified hazard risks; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute § 160D-501 delegates to local governmental units the responsibility to adopt regulations designed to promote the public health, safety, and general welfare of its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute § 166A-19.41 provides that for a state of emergency declared pursuant to North Carolina General Statute § 166A-19.20(a) after the deadline established by the Federal Emergency Management Agency pursuant to the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2002, P.L. 106-390, the eligible entity shall have a hazard mitigation plan approved pursuant to the Stafford Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 322 of the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 states that local governments must develop an All-Hazards Mitigation Plan (the “Plan”) in order to be eligible to receive future Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Funds and other disaster-related assistance funding, and the Plan must be updated and adopted within a five year cycle; and

WHEREAS, Union County has performed a comprehensive review and evaluation of each section of the previously approved Plan and has updated the Plan as required under regulations at 44 CFR Part 201 and according to guidance issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the North Carolina Division of Emergency Management; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Union County Board of Commissioners to fulfill this obligation in order that the County will be eligible for federal and state assistance in the event that a state of disaster is declared for a hazard event affecting the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Union County Board of Commissioners as follows:

1. Adopts the Cabarrus Stanly Union Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan.
2. Designates Union County Emergency Management with the responsibility, authority, and the means to:
 - (a) Inform all concerned parties of this action.

- (b) Cooperate with Federal, State and local agencies and private firms which undertake to study, survey, map and identify floodplain areas, and cooperate with neighboring communities with respect to management of adjoining floodplain areas in order to prevent exacerbation of existing hazard impacts.
- (c) Assure that the Plan is reviewed annually and every five years to confirm that the Plan complies with all State and Federal regulations and that any needed revisions or amendments to the Plan are developed and presented to the Union County Board of Commissioners for consideration.

3. Agrees to take such other official action as may be reasonably necessary to carry out the objectives of the Plan.

Adopted this the _____, 2025.

Melissa Merrell, Chair
Union County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Lynn West, Clerk
Union County Board of Commissioners

Certified by: _____ (SEAL)

Date: _____