RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT FOR USE OF SPACE WITH GULFORD COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA FOR THE GREENSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE SERVICES AT THE GUILFORD COUNTY FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER

WHEREAS, community stakeholders in Guilford County have worked together to develop a central location to provide comprehensive services to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, child maltreatment, and elder abuse;

WHEREAS, the mission of the Guilford County Family Justice Center, hereafter referred to as FJC, is to empower family violence victims to live free from violence and abuse and hold offenders accountable by providing easily accessible, coordinated, and comprehensive services in a single location;

WHEREAS, Guilford County desires to partner with the City of Greensboro, for the Greensboro Police Department to provide services in the FJC in a collaborative effort to provide victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, child maltreatment and elder abuse with increased support and easier access to resources through a central location;

WHEREAS Guilford County and the City of Greensboro, have a lengthy history of cooperation with respect to many matters affecting their mutual interests and the benefit of their respective citizens;

WHEREAS, Guilford County shall be responsible for providing the following in-kind contribution to the City of Greensboro: Workspace in the FJC; Use of the facilities including the waiting room, client meeting rooms, toilet facilities, kitchen area and the reception area; General maintenance and upkeep of the facility; and Basic wiring for computers, fax and copies in the FJC;

WHEREAS, in consideration of in-kind services from Guilford County, the City of Greensboro will Participate in the enforcement, apprehension, and prosecution of domestic violence offenders while collaborating with other law enforcement agencies and prosecutors; Investigate criminal allegations of domestic violence, sex crimes, and child victim crimes in accordance with the Greensboro Police Department's mission statement; Dedicate law enforcement services, including specialized advocacy and safety services through the department's Family Victim's Unit; Participate in FJC partner meetings and network with all participating FJC agencies in a collaborative effort to reduce domestic violence, sexual assault, child maltreatment, and elder abuse; and Refer FJC clients to other community partners as needed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

Section 1. That the Guilford County Family Justice Center Partnership Agreement for Use of Space between Guilford County and the City of Greensboro identified in the attached Exhibit A is hereby formally approved and the City Manager and Clerk are authorized to sign and execute the Agreement.

Section 2. That this resolution shall be effective upon its adoption.