RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR WAIVER OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY THE GUILFORD COUNTY TAX DEPARTMENT IN MINIMUM HOUSING CODE ENFORCEMENT CASES

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.C.G.S. 160A-461, the City of Greensboro and Guilford County may enter into agreements with each other in order to execute any undertaking.

WHEREAS, the City operates a Code Enforcement program to ensure safe housing pursuant to the Minimum Housing Code, Chapter 11 of the City's Code of Ordinances;

WHEREAS, the City is required to provide notice to all parties of interest in an enforcement case of the hearing with the inspector and the inspector's order;

WHEREAS, parties in interest includes the Guilford County Tax Department when there are delinquent property taxes on the property or when a foreclosure case is pending;

WHEREAS, pursuant to both State law and City ordinance, service of process must be made personally or by registered or certified mail;

WHEREAS, in order to conserve time and resources of both City and County personnel in issuing and processing the required notices, the City's Neighborhood Development Department has requested that Guilford County, on behalf of its Tax Department, waive service of process by registered or certified mail in lieu of receiving notice by regular or electronic mail or other more cost effective means;

WHEREAS, in addition to conserving time and resources, the City's Neighborhood Development Department estimates cost savings of approximately \$6,690 per year by reducing the number of certified mailings; and

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

That the City Manager and City Clerk are authorized to execute, on behalf of the City of Greensboro, an Interlocal Agreement regarding waiver of service of process by certified mail in Minimum Housing Code enforcement cases.