RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIGH POINT NORTH CAROLINA AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF HIGH POINT TO ENGAGE IN ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS

WHEREAS, the North Carolina General Assembly enacted an amendment to G.S. 159-28 (Budgetary Accounting for Appropriations) which provides, in part, a local government may satisfy the City's obligations by electronic means and methods provided that the governing board has adopted a resolution authorizing the use of electronic payments; and

WHEREAS, the Financial Services Department recommends use of electronic payment methods as essential to the efficiency of government; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council that the City of High Point is explicitly authorized to engage in electronic payments as defined by G.S. 159-28; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Financial Services Director, who is appointed by the City Manager, who is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the City Council, to adopt written policies outlining procedures for pre-auditing obligations that will be incurred by electronic payments as required by NC Administrative Code 20 NCAC 03.0409; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Financial Services Director, who is appointed by the City Manager, who is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the City Council, to adopt written policies outlining procedures for disbursing public funds by electronic transaction as required by NC Administrative Code 20 NCAC 03.0410;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of High Point, North Carolina does hereby:

Section 1. Authorize the City of High Point to engage in electronic payments as defined by G.S. 159-28;

Section 2. Authorize the Financial Services Director to adopt written policy outlining procedures for pre-auditing obligations that will be incurred by electronic payments as required by NC Administrative Code 20 NCAC 03.0409;

Section 3. Authorize the Financial Services Director to adopt written policy outlining procedures for disbursing public funds by electronic transaction as required by NC Administrative Code 20 NCAC 03.0410; and

Section 4. Establish this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and apply retroactively to all electronic payment transactions as so authorized.

Adopted this 2nd day of April 2018.

Mayor, City of High Point

Lisa B. Vierling, City Clerk