RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY GRANT FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$50,000 WITH A 20% MATCH FOR AN AI-GUIDED RECYCLING OUTREACH PROGRAM

WHEREAS, The NC Department of Environmental Quality Division of Environmental Assistance and Customer Service (DEACS) administers the Community Waste Reduction and Recycling (CWRAR) grant program;

WHEREAS, the City of Greensboro was awarded a \$50,000 reimbursement grant for an artificial intelligence guided recycling outreach program;

WHEREAS, the total estimated cost of the program is \$60,005;

WHEREAS, this grant requires a 20% match by the City;

WHEREAS, matching funds of \$10,005 will be supported by the Solid Waste and Recycling Department's FY 24-25 budget;

WHEREAS, this new AI tool will increase the number of inspections completed across the city with the goal of further reducing the contamination of recycled materials;

WHEREAS, the funding and project will be for the term of July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025; and

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

That the resolution authorizing acceptance of a grant in an amount up to \$50,000 from the NC Department of Environmental Quality with a 20% match from the City of Greensboro be approved.