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North Carolina League of Municipalities 434 Fayetteville Street Suite 1900 Raleigh, NC 27601

Subject: Nomination for North Carolina League of Municipalities Board of Directors Dear Members of the Nominating Committee, The Watauga County Commission is pleased to offer our strongest endorsement for Shane Fox's nomination to the Board of Directors of the North Carolina League of Municipalities.

Shane Fox has demonstrated exceptional leadership and a deep commitment to public service throughout his tenure. His dedication to the Town of Blowing Rock and the broader Watauga County community is evident in his numerous accomplishments.

We particularly commend Shane's proactive approach to addressing critical infrastructure improvements, ensuring the delivery of high-quality services to our residents, tourists, and all stakeholders. His collaborative spirit is a hallmark of his leadership, as evidenced by his effective partnerships with Watauga County, the various towns within our jurisdiction, the High Country Council of Governments (HCCOG), and numerous non-profit organizations.

His unwavering commitment was particularly evident during the recovery efforts following Hurricane Helene, where his tireless efforts played a crucial role in restoring normalcy to our community.

Beyond his professional responsibilities, Shane is deeply invested in the well-being of our community. His service on the Children's Council of Watauga County highlights his dedication to our youth. Furthermore, his innovative vision led to the creation and opening of the Blowing Rock Academy, a testament to his commitment to education and community development.

We believe that Shane Fox's qualifications extend beyond his impressive resume and accomplishments. He brings a vital perspective and much-needed representation to Western North Carolina. His understanding of the unique challenges and opportunities facing our region will be invaluable to the Board of Directors.

Therefore, the Watauga County Commission wholeheartedly supports Shane Fox's nomination to the Board of Directors of the North Carolina League of Municipalities. We are confident that he will serve with distinction and contribute significantly to the League's mission.

Sincerely,

Braxton Eggers, Chair of Watauga County Commission

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