STATE OF ALABAMA) COUNTY OF BALDWIN)

RESOLUTION #2024-117 OF THE BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE USE OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS FOR THE COUNTY ROAD 65 DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT WATER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT

WHEREAS, Baldwin County, Alabama, (the "County") has received American Rescue Plan Act State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds ("ARPA funds") and is charged with ensuring that such funds are expended in accordance with state and federal law; and

WHEREAS, ARPA funds may be used to cover the cost of expenses for necessary investments in water infrastructure ("ARPA infrastructure projects"); and

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Commission (the "Commission"), with assistance from an independent consultant, has identified an eligible ARPA infrastructure project to serve the County's citizens, to wit: the County Road 65 drainage improvement project in Baldwin County, Alabama (the "project"); and

WHEREAS, the Commission has determined that the project is a necessary, eligible, and reasonable use of these funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION AS FOLLOWS:

1) The County shall use a portion of its ARPA funds to cover up to \$754,920.21 of the cost of the construction of the County Road 65 drainage improvement project, to include the improvement of the stormwater system through approximately 1.52 miles of road paving and 16,000 feet of stormwater drainage improvements, to provide better flow, reduce upstream flooding, stabilize the road and ditches, and prevent erosion and downstream sedimentation.

2) The County Administrator is hereby authorized to expend the ARPA funds described herein to cover costs that are reasonably necessary for the completion of the project and subject to the limitations set forth herein.

3) Notwithstanding the provisions of this Resolution to the contrary, expenditure of the funds for the purposes described herein for costs associated with the project shall be contingent on compliance with applicable state and federal laws related to competitive procurement of goods and services.

4) The funds allocated herein shall be used to cover the County's internal cost for the construction of the project by the Baldwin County Highway Maintenance Staff.

5) The expenditure of ARPA funds for the purposes described herein shall be further contingent on the continued appropriation and availability of ARPA funds for this purpose and in no event shall be used for any expenses not obligated by December 31, 2024, and expended by December 31, 2026.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Baldwin County Commission has caused this Resolution to be executed in its name and on its behalf by its Chairman on the 21st day of May 2024.

Billie Jo Underwood, Chairman Baldwin County Commission

ATTEST:

Roger H. Rendleman County Administrator