

A RESOLUTION

TO SUPPORT THE ECONOMIC REDEVELOPMENT EFFORTS OF THE STERLING LAND TRUST IN BLIGHTED AREAS IN GREENVILLE COUNTY.

WHEREAS, Sterling Land Trust is a nonprofit corporation exempt from tax pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and was formed for the purpose of assisting in the redevelopment of blighted and rural areas in South Carolina, providing necessary services to homeless people in such areas and providing affordable housing and economic development opportunities to low income persons;

WHEREAS, the Judson, Brandon and Sterling communities in Greenville County are suffering from economic blight and are designated as Economically Distressed Areas by the Appalachian Regional Commission (a regional development agency of federal, state and local governments);

WHEREAS, Sterling Land Trust is implementing a plan of community economic development activities including, but not limited to, the Plush Mill Revitalization Project adjacent to Sterling, in the Brandon community, the Sterling Urban Farm Initiative and the Huddle Block Project both in the Sterling community, which economic development activities involve purchasing and developing vacant and blighted properties to revitalize those communities and address the physical, economic and social causes of economic deterioration and provide jobs to low income persons in those communities; and

WHEREAS, the economic redevelopment of the Judson, Brandon and Sterling communities and other economically blighted areas in Greenville County to address the physical, economic and social causes of economic deterioration and to provide jobs and affordable housing to low income persons in those communities is a responsibility of Greenville County through its designated agent, the Greenville County Redevelopment Authority.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the economic development activities of Sterling Land Trust in blighted and economically deteriorated communities in Greenville County, South Carolina will address the physical, economic and social causes of economic deterioration and seek to provide jobs and affordable housing to low income persons in those communities along with the efforts of Greenville County and Greenville County Redevelopment Authority and is thus encouraged and supported by Greenville County Council.

DONE IN REGULAR MEETING THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2012.

GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL

Herman G. Kirven, Jr., Chairman
Greenville County Council

ATTEST:

Theresa B. Kizer
Clerk to Council

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