No. _____

AN ORDINANCE

TO PROVIDE FOR THE MILLAGE RATE TO BE LEVIED BY THE FOOTHILLS FIRE SERVICE AREA.

WHEREAS, the Foothills Fire Service Area was formed pursuant to Ordinance No. 2268 for the purpose of providing fire protection in a previously unserved area of the County; and,

WHEREAS, the Foothills Fire Service Area receives fire protection services from the Town of Tryon, N.C. ("Town") pursuant to a contract between Greenville County and the Town; and,

WHEREAS, the Foothills Fire Service Area Board of Fire Control has presented a budget and millage request to Greenville County Council requesting an increase to the Fire Service Area's current millage rate for operations and maintenance, and for the maintenance of a reserve.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL:

<u>Section 1.</u> <u>Millage Rate and Tax Levy.</u> Greenville County Council approves the continuation of the current ad valorem property tax rate for the Foothills Fire Service Area of 23.1 mills and authorizes the reallocation of the 7.3 mill Prior Year Deficit millage levied in 2018 as follows: (a) five-tenths (0.5) mill to the base millage which equates to the consumer price index and population growth of 3.96% as allowed pursuant to S.C. Code § 6-1-320(A), and (b) six and eight-tenths (6.8) mills to the maintenance of a reserve millage as allowed pursuant to S.C. Code § 6-1-320(D). The action realigns the current Foothills Fire Service Area ad valorem property tax millage and represents no increase is taxes.

The Auditor and Tax Collector of Greenville County are hereby directed to levy and collect taxes in accordance with this Ordinance.

Section 2. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon the date of its adoption.

DONE IN REGULAR MEETING THIS _____ DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2019.

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

ATTEST:

Regina G. McCaskill Clerk to Council Joseph M. Kernell County Administrator