AN ORDINANCE

TO PROVIDE FOR THE MILLAGE RATE TO BE LEVIED BY THE MAULDIN FIRE SERVICE AREA CONSISTENT WITH THE STATE LAW LIMITS FOR OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE AS WELL AS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 3730, the County of Greenville and the City of Mauldin executed an agreement for the City's Fire Department to provide fire service within the Mauldin Fire Service Area (FSA); and,

WHEREAS, the City of Mauldin has presented a budget and millage request to County Council providing for expenditures of revenues by the Mauldin FSA pursuant to ad valorem property taxes necessary for operations and funding of a capital improvement plan; and

WHEREAS, County Council is authorized by ordinance to annually levy ad valorem property tax millage for FSA operations and maintenance and the City of Mauldin has requested that Council increase the FSA's operating and debt service millage in support of continued fire services and construction of a new fire substation and replacement apparatuses that will serve the FSA and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, by separate ordinance authoring the issuance of general obligation bonds in support of the Capital Improvement Plan, County Council has been asked to approve a millage increase for debt service for the construction of a new fire substation and replacement apparatuses.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL:

<u>SECTION 1.</u> <u>Millage Rate.</u> Greenville County Council approves an ad valorem property tax increase of three and four-tenths (3.4) mills which represents CPI and growth under the three year look-back provision of S.C. Code § 6-1-320 bringing the total millage for operations to twenty-six and six-tenths (26.6) mills for the Mauldin FSA.

SECTION 2. <u>Tax Levy and Collection</u>. The Auditor and Tax Collector of Greenville County are hereby directed to levy and collect the millage rates authorized by this Ordinance.

<u>SECTION 3.</u> Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect upon the date of its adoption.

DONE IN REGULAR MEETING THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2020.

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

Joseph M. Kernell County Administrator

ATTEST:

Regina McCaskill Clerk to Council