A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE COMMUNITY SAFETY TASK FORCE 2023 REPORT, RECOGNIZING THE DISSOLUTION OF THE TASK FORCE, AND THANKING THE MEMBERS WHO SERVED ON THE COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, on April 20, 2021, the Town Council approved, "A Resolution Establishing a Community Safety Task Force"; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council's intent was to develop new approaches to public safety beyond policing; and recognize that investments in public safety and in programs and services that keep communities healthy and safe must advance racial equity, be grounded in community demands, and be informed by authentic engagement with grassroots and community organizations; and

WHEREAS, on November 16, 2021, the Town Council appointed the members of the Task Force and asked the Task Force to submit it recommendations within 12 months; and

WHEREAS, with the Task Force beginning its work in March 2022, the Town Council extended the timeline of the Task Force until May 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, on June 20, 2023, Town Council agreed to extend the timeline of the Task Force until November 2023, as allowed for in the 2021 authorizing resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Community Safety Task Force has concluded its work;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council hereby receives the Community Safety Task Force report.

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that the Town Council hereby directs staff to schedule a work session of the Council for January 16, 2024, to further discuss the Task Force's recommendations and provide feedback and guidance to the Interim Town Manager.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Council hereby offers its gratitude to Task Force members Barbara Fedders (Chair), Wamiq Chowdhury (Vice-Chair), George Barrett, Benjamin Blaisdell, and Madison Hayes, and staff liaison Anita Jones-McNair for their many months of work on the Task Force report and their service to the Town of Carrboro.

This the 14th day of November 2023.