

State of South Carolina )  
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County of Barnwell )

Resolution No. 2018-9-531-R

Requesting the Barnwell County Legislative Delegation to Support and Advocate an Override of Governor Henry McMaster's Veto of the Fiscal Year 2018-19 State Budget Proviso No. 100.21 that Provides Funding to Local Governments for the Non-Federal Match for Winter Storm PAX. Budget Proviso No. 100.21 includes a \$300,000-plus reimbursement to Barnwell County resulting from Winter Storm PAX.

WHEREAS, in 2014, Barnwell County, as well as approximately half the counties in the State of South Carolina, suffered devastating damage from Winter Storm PAX; and,

WHEREAS, Barnwell County spent an estimated \$5 million in cleaning up and recovering from this storm and received an official disaster declaration from the President of the United States, making the County eligible for federal assistance from Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA); and,

WHEREAS, the State of South Carolina covered the entire non-federal match for other presidentially declared disasters that occurred in the state after Winter Storm PAX, including Hurricane Matthew and the 2015 Flood Disaster, as well as the Pinnacle Mountain Wildfire; and,

WHEREAS, budget provision No. 100.21 provides additional funding from existing fund balances in the South Carolina Emergency Management Division budget originally provided for the above-mentioned events to local governments that were impacted by Winter Storm PAX, as well as Hurricane Irma, but was vetoed by the Governor due to reasons not associated with the provision of funds for local governments; and,

WHEREAS, providing this funding to Winter Storm PAX impacted counties would treat those jurisdictions in the same fashion as other counties in the state impacted by other natural disasters.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BARNWELL COUNTY COUNCIL does hereby respectfully request the Barnwell County Legislative Delegation to support and advocate an override of Governor Henry McMaster's veto of Fiscal Year 2018-2019 State Budget Proviso No. 100.21 that provides funding to local governments for the non-federal match for Winter Storm PAX.

Adopted at the regular meeting of Barnwell County Council on September 11, 2018.

BARNWELL COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

ATTEST:

SIGNED:

  
Kim Futrell, Clerk to Council

  
Charles Lowell Jowers Sr., Chairman