## **RESOLUTION 23-11**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF YEMASSEE, SOUTH CAROLINA TOWN COUNCIL, AUTHORIZING THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO ACQUIRE AN EASEMENT FROM THE BEAUFORT-JASPER WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY FOR THE PARKING AREA AT THE MARINE CORPS TRIBUTE PARK

WHEREAS, the Town of Yemassee operates various active and passive Parks within the Town and endeavor to continuously improve the parks and their aesthetics; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Yemassee received a PARD Grant to develop the Marine Corps Tribute Park at 14 Wall St, Beaufort County; and,

**WHEREAS,** the Town of Yemassee through an existing Special Projects Intergovernmental Agreement with Beaufort County, have retained Beaufort County to serve as Project Manager for the development of the park; and,

WHEREAS, the Town & County staff have concluded that a off-street parking area for handicapped individuals is important to maintain accessibility and an area outside of the travel lanes and have identified an area just south of the park, known as the former Port Royal railroad bed which is now owned by the Beaufort-Jasper Water & Sewer Authority (BJWSA); and,

WHEREAS, Town & County staff have discussed the details of the proposed parking area to which BJWSA has no objection to a parking area on their right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the language of the easement is currently being drafted by BJWSA and it is anticipated that in the coming weeks staff will have an easement document ready to be executed; and,

WHEREAS, staff wish to maintain the project schedule for an on-time and request that authorization be granted to the Town Administrator to execute the easement paperwork once it's received.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF YEMASSEE AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Town Council of the Town of Yemassee hereby authorizes the Town Administrator to execute the necessary paperwork for acquiring an easement for the parking area at the Marine Corps Tribute Park from the Beaufort Japer Water & Sewer Authority upon its receipt.

THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BE EFFECTIVE IMMEIATELY UPON ADOPTION, SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED AS OF THIS 9th DAY OF MAY 2023.

Colin J. Moore

ATTEST: Matthew E. Garnes

Mayor

Town Administrator