### REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

#### HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**MEETING DATE:** January 18, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Resolution – Supporting the Identification of Party Affiliation for

Candidates for the Henderson County Board of Education

**PRESENTER:** Board of Commissioners

**ATTACHMENTS:** Yes

1. Resolution

#### **SUMMARY OF REQUEST:**

The Henderson County Board of Commissioners is requested to adopt the attached Resolution in Support of the identification of party affiliation for candidates for the Henderson County Board of Education

#### **BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:**

The Board is requested to adopt the attached Resolution as presented.

#### **SUGGESTED MOTION:**

I move that the Board adopt the Resolution in Support of the identification of party affiliation for candidates for the Henderson County Board of Education

## Henderson County Board of Commissioners

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# RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE IDENTIFICATION OF PARTY AFFILIATION FOR CANDIDATES FOR HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

- **WHEREAS**, members of the Henderson County Board of Education are currently elected as non-partisan candidates; and,
- **WHEREAS,** identification of candidates' party and/or ideological affiliation will provide voters with more information on the policies and positions such candidates support; and,
- **WHEREAS**, an estimated twenty-nine (29) other school districts in North Carolina currently identify their Board of Education candidates by party affiliation; and,
- **WHEREAS**, election clarity and transparency are of upmost importance to insure voters a basis for their decisions;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Henderson County Board of Commissioners as follows:

- 1. That the Henderson County Board of Commissioners requests the North Carolina General Assembly establish that henceforth the party affiliation of candidates for the Henderson County Board of Education be identified on any/all primary and general election ballots.
- 2. Further, that this change in the election of the Henderson County Board of Education members shall not impact the terms of any current members of the Henderson County Board of Education.
- 3. Further, that this change begin in the next election cycle for members of the Henderson County Board of Education, in 2024.
- 4. That this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Senator and Representatives who represent Henderson County in the North Carolina General Assembly and a copy be retained in the Office of the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners.

Adopted this the  $18^{th}$  day of January, 2023.

	REBECCA McCall, Chairman
	HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
ATTEST:	
DENISA A. LAUFFER, CLERK TO THE BOARD	