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**RESOLUTION OF INTENT
TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING TO CLOSE A PUBLIC TRAIL EASEMENT**

WHEREAS, G.S. 160A-299 authorizes the Town Council to close streets and public alleys; and

WHEREAS, the same closing procedure outlined in G.S. 160-299 is applied to the closing of easements including public trail easements; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council considers it advisable to conduct a public hearing for the purpose of giving consideration to the closing of the trail easement in the Ashford subdivision; and

WHEREAS, a map of the proposed closing is available for public inspection with the Town Clerk at Oak Ridge Town Hall;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that it is the intent of this Council to hold a public hearing on the possible closure of said trail easement, and that a public hearing on this question will be held on the 22nd day of January, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall, Oak Ridge, North Carolina, at which time the Planning & Zoning Board will hear all interested citizens and make a recommendation to Town Council as to whether the trail easement shall be closed and removed from dedication. The Town Council will then hold a public hearing on the 5th day of February, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall, Oak Ridge, North Carolina, at which time a final determination of the trail easement closing will be made.

Adopted this the 12th day of January, 2026.

James N. Harton
Mayor

Attest:

Sandra B. Smith, MMC, NCCMC
Assistant Town Manager/Town Clerk