



A Resolution of the Shenandoah County Chamber of Commerce In Support of the Shenandoah Valley Rail Trail from the Towns of Broadway to Front Royal

WHEREAS The Shenandoah County Chamber of Commerce represents hundreds of businesses, non-profit agencies and local governments within Shenandoah County; and

WHEREAS The Shenandoah Valley Rail Trail Exploratory Partnership, whose membership includes representation of each locality through which the trail would pass, has been formed to explore trail feasibility; and

WHEREAS The proposed location presents an opportunity to create a world-class trail providing bicycle, pedestrian and equestrian access to extraordinary landscape views and several important Civil War battlefields; and

WHEREAS Such a trail would catalyze tourism-related economic growth, not only within the participating localities, but surrounding communities as well; and

WHEREAS The aforementioned trail would offer the option of safe alternative transportation within and between the communities to a broad segment of the local population, for commuting to work and school, thereby improving the quality of life; and

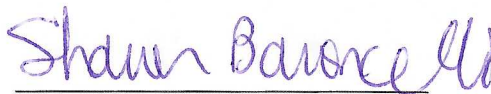
WHEREAS The Virginia General Assembly directed the state Department of Conservation and Recreation to study trail feasibility and deliver a report no later than November 1st, 2021;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED That the Board of Directors of the Shenandoah County Chamber of Commerce supports the continued efforts to explore further feasibility of and opportunity to create the trail and will seek the support of regional, state, and federal agencies in the best interests of the members of the chamber.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 17th day of August, 2021.



David Hutton, Chair
Board of Directors



Sharon Baroncelli, President