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ORDINANCE NO. _____

A ORDINANCE TO DECLARE IT IMPRACTICAL AND UNFEASIBLE TO BID; TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXTEND A ONE (1)-YEAR SOLE-SOURCE AGREEMENT WITH CITY YEAR, INC., IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$100,000.00), TO ESTABLISH AN EDUCATION PROGRAM RELATIVE TO THE CITY’S EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVE FOR USE BY THE LITTLE ROCK SCHOOL DISTRICT; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, there is an educational need to provide single-point solutions to address a school or student’s needs, utilizing City Year’s holistic approach, the Whole School Whole Child model, is designed to meet students’ academic and social-emotional needs by providing support at the individual student, classroom, at whole-school levels; and,

WHEREAS, Whole School Whole Child creates pathways to keep students in school and on-track to graduate by ensuring direct student support and providing schools with the additional capacity to create positive, school-wide learning environments; and,

WHEREAS, at the core of this model Program are the City Year AmeriCorps Members, who provide single-point solutions to address a school or student’s needs and designed to meet students’ academic and social-emotional needs by providing support at the individual student, classroom, and whole-school levels and to create school-wide learning environments; and,

WHEREAS, in Little Rock, City Year AmeriCorps members, ages eighteen (18) – twenty-six (26), are trained and deployed to serve students in the following Little Rock School District Schools: Chicot Elementary; Stephens Elementary; Mabelvale Middle; Cloverdale Middle; and J.A. Fair K-8 Preparatory.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby authorizes the City Manager to enter into an agreement with City Year, Inc., in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00), to provide funding support for this model program and to establish an educational program whereby City Year AmeriCorps Members provide single-point solutions to address a school or student’s needs and designed to meet students’ academic and social-emotional needs by providing support at the individual student, classroom, and whole-school levels and to create school-wide learning environments.

1 **Section 2.** Funds for this program is available through the Community Programs Other Program
2 Support, Account No 108159-S15C515.

3 **Section 3.** Because of City Year’s unique approach with educational organizations in the area, the
4 Board of Directors declares it is impractical and unfeasible to submit this model to competitive bids.

5 **Section 4. *Severability.*** In the event any title, section, paragraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or
6 word of this ordinance is declared or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration or
7 adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of the ordinance which shall remain in full force and
8 effect as if the portion so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional were not originally a part of the
9 ordinance.

10 **Section 5. *Repealer.*** All laws, ordinances, resolutions, or parts of the same, that are inconsistent with
11 the provisions of this resolution, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

12 **Section 6. *Emergency Clause.*** *The ability to have an adequate educational model with members*
13 *properly equipped to interact effectively is essential to the public health, safety and welfare; an emergency*
14 *is, therefore, declared to exist and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of*
15 *its passage.*

16 **PASSED: August 8, 2023**

17 **ATTEST:**

APPROVED:

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20 **Susan Langley, City Clerk**

_____ **Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor**

21 **APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:**

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24 **Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney**

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