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3	A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE ISSUANCE OF AN EXTERIOR
4	BUILDING PERMIT FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION LOCATED AT 1515
5	WEST 21 ST STREET, LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, DURING THE SIX (6)-
6	MONTH MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF DEMOLITION
7	PERMITS AND EXTERIOR BUILDING PERMITS IN THE CENTRAL
8	HIGH SCHOOL NEIGHBORHOOD HISTORIC DISTRICT OF LITTLE
9	ROCK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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11	WHEREAS, the Little Rock Central High School and its surrounding neighborhoods are of significant
12	historical, cultural and aesthetic importance to the City of Little Rock ("City"); and.
13	WHEREAS, the Central High School Neighborhood Historic District was listed on the National
14	Register of Historic Places on August, 16, 1996; and,
15	WHEREAS, the Central High School Neighborhood Historic District has become an endangered
16	historical resource suffering from demolitions, property neglect and inappropriate alterations, with twenty-
17	three (23) historically significant structures being lost through demolition since 2010, and the National
18	Register Designation of the Historic District is now in jeopardy; and,
19	WHEREAS, the City is working to establish a Local Ordinance District pursuant to the authority
20	granted by the Historic Districts Act (Ark. Code Ann. §§ 14-172-201, et seq.) which has the same
21	boundaries as the Central High School Neighborhood Historic District; and,
22	WHEREAS, the City passed Resolution No 15,736 (July 19, 2022) to declare a six (6)-month
23	moratorium on the issuance of Demolition Permits and Exterior Building Permits in the Central High
24	School Neighborhood Historic District; that moratorium is set to expire on January 19, 2022; and,
25	WHEREAS, Resolution No. 15,736 allows for an owner, authorized agent, or Contractor aggrieved by
26	the moratorium to place their application on the regular agenda of the Little Rock City Board of Directors
27	for permit review; and,
28	WHEREAS, the property located at 1515 West 21st Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, is a vacant lot and
29	cannot contribute to the Central High School Neighborhood Historic District since the original historic
30	structure was demolished sometime between 1970 and 1998; and,
31	WHEREAS, Baker's Construction, LLC, has submitted an Exterior Building Permit application to
32	enable it to construct a residential structure on the currently vacant lot; and,
33	WHEREAS, staff of the City's Planning & Development Department and the City's Historic District

Commission recommend approval of the Exterior Building Permit application for this purpose.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY 1 2 OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS: 3 Section 1. The City of Little Rock Planning & Development Department is authorized to issue an 4 Exterior Building Permit to Baker's Construction, LLC, for the construction of a residential structure 5 located at 1515 West 21st Street, Little Rock, Arkansas. 6 Section 2. Severability. In the event any title, section, paragraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or 7 word of this resolution is declared or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration or 8 adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of the resolution which shall remain in full force and 9 effect as of the portion so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional were not originally a part of the 10 resolution. 11 Section 3. Repealer. All laws, ordinances, resolutions, including but not limited to Little Rock, Ark., 12 Resolution No. 15,736 (July 19, 2022) or parts of the same, that are inconsistent with the provisions of this 13 resolution, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency. 14 PASSED: November 15, 2022 15 **APPROVED: ATTEST:** 16 17 Susan Langley, City Clerk 18 Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor 19 APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM: 20 21 22 Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney 23 // 24 // 25 // 26 // 27 // 28 // 29 // 30 // 31 // 32 // 33 // 34 // 35 //