1	RESOLUTION NO.
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3	A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF THE CITY OF
4	LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, TO PARTNER WITH THE ARKANSAS
5	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR JOB NO. 061706,
6	INTERSTATE 440 AND FOURCHE DAM PIKE INTERCHANGE
7	IMPROVEMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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9	WHEREAS, Act 1 of the 90 th General Assembly's Third Extraordinary Session established the
10	Arkansas Highway Improvement Plan of 2016, which provides funding to help address highway
11	construction needs of the State of Arkansas; and,
12	WHEREAS, a portion of Act 1 funding includes 25% of State Surplus Funds; and,
13	WHEREAS, the amount of State Fiscal Year 2019 State Surplus funds exceeded projections, which
14	resulted in additional funding being made available for highway improvements beyond what was
15	anticipated; and,
16	WHEREAS, in February 2020, the Arkansas Highway Commission passed Minute Order
17	No. 2020-004 authorizing the Arkansas Department of Transportation (ArDOT) to dedicate up to Fifteen
18	Million Dollars (\$15,000,000.00) in Act 1 Surplus Funding received by ArDOT to be used to support
19	projects that promote economic development and economic competitiveness; and,
20	WHEREAS, the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, in conjunction with the City of Little
21	Rock, Pulaski County and the Little Rock Port Authority, requested that ArDOT One Million Dollars
22	(\$1,000,000.00) of the Act 1 Surplus Funds to support infrastructure improvements that will be needed to
23	safely and efficiently handle increased traffic volumes associated with the new Amazon facility at the Port
24	of Little Rock; and,
25	WHEREAS, it has been determined that the City of Little Rock will be responsible for handling all
26	phases of the project; and,
27	WHEREAS, ArDOT will assist with any coordination necessary with the Federal Highway
28	Administration and other agencies as necessary; and,
29	WHEREAS, Arkansas Highway Commission Minute Order No. 2020-057 authorized ArDOT's
30	Director to commit One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) from the State Fiscal Year 2019 State Surplus
31	Funds for construction of this project; and,
32	WHEREAS, the City will be responsible for the costs associated with all other phases of the project
33	and any construction costs beyond the One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) provided by ArDOT.
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