1	ORDINANCE NO	
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3	AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND LITTLE ROCK, ARK., REVISED CODE	
4	CHAPTER 13, ARTICLE II, DIVISION 3, § 13-60 (1988), TO ADOPT AND	
5	ENFORCE A ONE (1)-FOOT FREEBOARD REQUIREMENT FOR	
6	MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT FOR ALL RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS	
7	CONSTRUCTED, SUBSTANTIALLY IMPROVED, AND/OR	
8	RECONSTRUCTED DUE TO SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGE THROUGHOUT	
9	THE SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREAS OF THE CITY OF LITTLE	
10 11	ROCK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.	
12	WHEREAS, the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, is a participant in the Community Rating System	
13	(CRS), which is a voluntary program that provides Flood Insurance premium discounts to communities	
14	that implement programs and measures that exceed the minimum floodplain management requirements of	
15	the National Flood Insurance Program. The CRS determines discounts based on credit points provided	
16	for floodplain management activities which is applied to citizen's insurance premiums; and,	
17	WHEREAS, on January 1, 2021, CRS implemented a new Class 8 prerequisite for freeboard for all	
18	participating and new CRS communities; and,	
19	WHEREAS, in order to maintain a Class 8 or better community in CRS, the City of Little Rock must	
20	adopt and enforce at least a one (1)-foot freeboard requirement, including machinery and equipment, for	
21	all residential buildings constructed, substantially improved, and/or reconstructed due to substantial	
22	damage throughout the Special Flood Hazard Area where base flood elevations have been determined on	
23	the Flood Insurance Rate Map or in the Flood Insurance Study, except those areas that receive open space	
24	credit under Activity 420 (Open Space Preservation).	
25	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE	
26	CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:	
27	Section 1. Chapter 13 of the City of Little Rock Municipal Code of Ordinances, Article II, Division 3,	
28	Section 13-60, (1), (a) is hereby repealed and replaced with the following new provision for residential	
29	structures in AE or A1-30 zones:	
30	(1) For all new residential structures, the top surface of the lowest floor (including all machinery	
31	and equipment) must have an elevation at least one (1) foot or more above the published Base	
32	Flood Elevation (BFE). This elevation must be documented on an Elevation Certificate	
33	properly completed by a Professional Engineer, Surveyor or Architect licensed to practice in	
34	the State of Arkansas.	

- (5) All machinery and equipment shall be elevated to at least one (1)-foot or more above the published BFE and be securely anchored to resist flotation, collapse, and lateral movement. This elevation must be documented on an Elevation Certificate properly completed by a Professional Engineer, Surveyor or Architect licensed to practice in the State of Arkansas.
- **Section 3.** Chapter 13 of the City of Little Rock Municipal Code of Ordinances, Article II, Division 3, Section 13-60, (3), (a) is hereby repealed and replaced with the following new provision for residential structures in AH or AO zones:
 - (1) For all new residential structures, the top surface of the lowest floor (including all machinery and equipment) must have an elevation at least one (1)-foot or more above the published BFE, or at least one (1)-foot or more above the highest adjacent grade in addition to the depth number specified (at least two (2) feet if no depth number is specified) on the community's Flood Insurance Rate Map. This elevation must be documented on an Elevation Certificate properly completed by a Professional Engineer, Surveyor or Architect licensed to practice in the State of Arkansas.
- **Section 4.** Chapter 13 of the City of Little Rock Municipal Code of Ordinances, Article II, Division 3, Section 13-60, (4), (a) is hereby repealed and replaced with the following new provision for residential structures in A risk zones with no base flood elevations determined:
 - (1) For all new residential structures, the top surface of the lowest floor (including all machinery and equipment) must have an elevation at least one (1)-foot or more above the BFE. This elevation must be documented on an Elevation Certificate properly completed by a Professional Engineer, Surveyor or Architect licensed to practice in the State of Arkansas.
- **Section 5.** Chapter 13 of the City of Little Rock Municipal Code of Ordinances, Article II, Division 3, Section, Section 13-60, (4), (d) is hereby amended with the following new provision for manufactured homes in A Zones:
 - (5) All machinery and equipment shall be elevated to at least one (1)-foot or more above the BFE and be securely anchored to resist flotation, collapse, and lateral movement. This elevation must be documented on an Elevation Certificate properly completed by a Professional Engineer, Surveyor or Architect licensed to practice in the State of Arkansas.
- **Section 6.** *Severability.* In the event any title, section, paragraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this resolution is declared or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration or adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of the resolution which shall remain in full force and effect as if the portion so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional was not originally a part of the

resolution.				
Section 7. <i>Repealer</i> . All laws, ordinances, resolutions, or parts of the same, that are inconsistent w provisions of this resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency. PASSED: March 16, 2021				
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Susan Langley, City Clerk	Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor			
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Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney	_			
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