ORDINANCE NO. $\qquad$


#### Abstract

AN ORDINANCE TO CONDEMN CERTAIN STRUCTURES IN THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, AS STRUCTURAL, FIRE AND HEALTH HAZARDS; TO PROVIDE FOR SUMMARY ABATEMENT PROCEDURES; TO DIRECT CITY STAFF TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AS IS NECESSARY TO RAZE AND REMOVE SAID STRUCTURES; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.


WHEREAS, certain structures in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, identified in this ordinance have become run-down, dilapidated, unsightly, dangerous, obnoxious and detrimental to the public welfare of the citizens of Little Rock; and,

WHEREAS, the condition of these structures have deteriorated to the point that it is dangerous to the health and safety of the occupants or other persons and, further, is in such condition as to be dangerous to the lives, limbs and property of people in its vicinity or those lawfully passing thereby; and,

WHEREAS, the condition of these structures constitutes serious structural, fire and health hazards; and,

WHEREAS, the owners of the structures have received proper legal notice to either rehabilitate or remove the structures and has failed to do so; and,

WHEREAS, such structures are hereby declared a nuisance and immediate action is necessary to demolish the structures.

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

Section 1. The condition of the structures located on the properties described below have been found to present structural, fire and health hazards and are dangerous to the health and safety of the occupants or other persons, and further, the structures are in such condition as to be dangerous to the lives, limbs and property of people in the vicinity or those lawfully passing thereby. The Board of Directors hereby condemns the following structures, identified by street address, owner, legal description and Parcel Number and declares them to be a public nuisance:

1. 3100 West $16^{\text {th }}$ Street

Owner: Tigran Hovsepyan/Rebecca Heber
Legal: Lot 6; Block - 5 Johnson C \& P
Parcel No.: 34L1480004800
2. 2017 South Maple Street

Owner: Tonia Griffin
Legal: Lot 5; Block 4 - Chesterfield Parcel No.: 34L1780007500

Section 2. The City Manager is hereby authorized to direct the Housing \& Neighborhood Programs Department to raze and remove the structures condemned in this ordinance and to file and enforce a lien against the properties described herein for the cost of razing and removing said structures pursuant to Little Rock, Ark., Rev. Code ("LRC") §20-29 (1988).

Section 3. Severability. In the event any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, subparagraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this ordinance is declared or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration or adjudication shall not affect the remaining provisions of this ordinance, as if such invalid or unconstitutional provision was not originally a part of this ordinance.

Section 4. Repealer. All ordinances, resolutions, bylaws, and other matters inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 5. Emergency Clause. Unless the provisions of this ordinance are put into effect immediately, the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Little Rock will be adversely affected; therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.
PASSED: June 20, 2023

ATTEST:

## Susan Langley, City Clerk

 APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:
## APPROVED:

Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor

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Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney
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