1	ORDINANCE NO		
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3	AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND LITTLE ROCK, ARK., REV. CODE		
4	CHAPTER 8, ARTICLE, I § 8-2(a)(2) (1988), TO PROVIDE FOR THE		
5	ADOPTION BY REFERENCE OF THE 2021 ARKANSAS FIRE		
6	PREVENTION CODE, VOLUME II (BUILDING) WITH ARKANSAS		
7	AMENDMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.		
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9	WHEREAS, Little Rock, Arkansas Rev. Code §8-2(a)(2) adopts by reference the 2021 Edition of the		
10	Arkansas Fire Prevention Code, Volume II (Building) with the most current Arkansas Amendments and		
11	2021 Revisions and Appendices (C), (E) and (O) (Based on the 2021 International Fire Code) as published		
12	by the International Code Council, Falls Church, Virginia; and,		
13	WHEREAS, the City has complied with Arkansas Code Ann. ξ14-55-207 (1987) by publishing a		
14	notice of intent to adopt these technical codes by reference in a paper of general circulation within the		
15	municipality and three (3) copies of Codes have been available for inspection in the City Clerk's office for		
16	the public prior to their adoption; and		
17	WHEREAS, this ordinance amendment is necessary to update the City Code and authorize the use of		
18	the 2021 Edition within the City;		
19	NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY		
20	OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:		
21	Section 1. This Section of the Little Rock, Arkansas Rev. Code §8-2(a)(2) is hereby amended to read		
22	as follows:		
23	(A) The following publications are adopted by reference:		
24	(2) The "2021 Arkansas Fire Prevention Code, Volume II (Building) with the most		
25	current Arkansas Amendments and 2021 Revisions and Appendices (C), (E) and		
26	(O) based on the (2021 International Fire Code)		
27	(B) In the event of a conflict between the publications in Subsection (A), the more stringent		
28	provisions shall govern.		
29	(C) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsections (A) and (B) above, the City, consistent		
30	with other provisions of State Law, shall set the job qualification for its employees.		
31	(D) Any future adoptions of the Arkansas Fire Prevention Codes by the State of Arkansas will		
32	be effective in the City of Little Rock on the effective date of state implementation.		
33	Appendices if recommended will be required to be adopted by City Ordinance.		

1	Section 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this provision are hereby repealed to		
2	the extent of the conflict.		
3	Section 3. A copy of the 2021 Arkansas Fire Prevention Code, Volume II (Building), as adopted, will		
4	be maintained in the Office of the City Clerk.		
5	Section 4. Code Application. Permits obtained prior to the effective date of this ordinance will be		
6	enforced under the previous adopted Code till final disposition of the Permit.		
7	Section 5. Effective date of this Code shall be August 6, 2023.		
8	Section 6. Severability. In the event any title, section, paragraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or		
9	word of this ordinance is declared or adjudge to be invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration or		
10	adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance, which shall remain in full force and		
11	effect as if the portion so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional were not originally a part of this		
12	ordinance.		
13	Section 7. Repealer. All laws, ordinances, resolutions, or parts of the same that are inconsistent with		
14	the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.		
15	PASSED: July 11, 2023		
16	ATTEST:	APPROVED:	
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19 20	Susan Langley, City Clerk	Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor	
20	APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:		
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