RESOLUTION NO. _________

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO RENEW CONTRACTS FOR HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS (HOPWA), IN A TOTAL COMBINED AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED FOUR THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-SEVEN DOLLARS ($504,527.00), FOR A ONE (1)-YEAR TERM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Little Rock receives an annual allocation of HOPWA Funds from the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Little Rock is designated by HUD as an entitlement jurisdiction to administer the HOPWA Program for a six (6)-County area including: Pulaski; Faulkner; Saline; Lonoke; Perry; and Grant Counties; and,

WHEREAS, funding through the HOPWA Program was designated for housing assistance and appropriate supportive services for low-income persons HIV positive; and,

WHEREAS, the City issued a Request for Qualifications dated December 15, 2015, to procure a service provider of the HOPWA assistance; and,

WHEREAS, on January 14, 2016, the Arkansas AIDS Foundation, Three Hundred Twelve Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars ($312,500.00), and the Northeast Arkansas Regional AIDS Network, One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars ($175,000.00), were selected by the Selection Committee to provide HOPWA services over a one (1)-year period, with the City’s option to renew the term of the contracts (2) times in one (1)-year increments; and,

WHEREAS, on February 16, 2016, the City of Little Rock Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 14,285 and approved funding to the Arkansas AIDS Foundation and to the Northeast Arkansas Regional AIDS Network for the provision of said HOPWA services over a one (1)-year period, with the City’s option to renew the term of the contracts (2) times in one (1)-year increments, with the right to terminate the contracts upon completion of the Federally-Funded Housing Programs; and,

WHEREAS, on March 21, 2017, the City of Little Rock Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 14,518 and approved funding to the Arkansas AIDS Foundation and to the Northeast Arkansas Regional AIDS Network for the provision of said HOPWA services over a one (1)-year period, with the City’s option to renew the term of the contracts for one (1) additional one (1)-year term, with the right to terminate the contracts upon completion of the Federally-Funded Housing Programs; and,
WHEREAS, pursuant to this approval, the City entered into contracts with the Arkansas AIDS Foundation and to the Northeast Arkansas Regional AIDS Network to provide HOPWA services for a one (1)-year term, with the City’s option to renew the term of the contracts for two (2) additional one (1)-year terms; and,

WHEREAS, this is the second renewal of the two (2)-year option to renew the contracts; and,

WHEREAS, the renewal of the Arkansas AIDS Foundation contract and Northeast Arkansas Regional AIDS Network contract is consistent with the City’s adopted Citizen Participation Plan and the Consolidated Planning Committee and the recommended sources and uses of the City’s 2015-2017 HUD Entitlement Funds; and,

WHEREAS, the Arkansas AIDS Foundation, Three Hundred Eighty Thousand, Nine Hundred Twenty Dollars ($380,920.00), will provide Tenant-Based Rental Assistance, Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, and Utilities Assistance, Permanent Housing Placement Services, and Supportive Services in Perry, Pulaski and Saline Counties; and,

WHEREAS, Northeast Arkansas Regional AIDS Network, One Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand, Six Hundred Seven Dollars ($123,607.00), will provide Tenant-Based Rental Assistance, Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, and Utilities Assistance, Permanent Housing Placement Services, and Supportive Services in Faulkner, Grant and Lonoke Counties; and,

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

Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby approves funding to the Arkansas AIDS Foundation in the amount of Three Hundred Eighty Thousand, Nine Hundred Twenty Dollars ($380,920.00) and to the Northeast Arkansas Regional AIDS Network in the amount of One Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand, Six Hundred Seven Dollars ($123,607.00) for one (1)-year term, with the right to terminate the agreement upon completion of the Federally-Funded Housing Programs.

Section 2. The recommended sources for funding and uses are from the City’s 2015-2017 HUD Entitlement Funds.

Section 3. 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 were not originally a part of the resolution.

Section 4. Repealer. All laws, ordinances, resolutions, or parts of the same, that are inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.