RESOLUTION NO. _____________

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A FIVE (5)-YEAR EXTENSION OF THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR AMBULANCE SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, AND THE CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS, GRANTING THE LITTLE ROCK AMBULANCE AUTHORITY D/B/A METROPOLITAN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AN EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE AMBULANCE SERVICES TO THE CITY OF SHERWOOD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Little Rock Ambulance Authority (LRAA) d/b/a Metropolitan Emergency Medical Services (MEMS) currently holds an exclusive Franchise to provide all Ambulance Services (emergency and non-emergency) to the City of Sherwood, Arkansas, per an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, and the City of Sherwood, Arkansas; and,

WHEREAS, the existing five (5)-year Interlocal Agreement will expire on or about July 31, 2021, and the City of Little Rock and the City of Sherwood wish to extend said Interlocal Agreement for five (5) additional years through July 31, 2026; and,

WHEREAS, MEMS has represented to this Board that it has the capability and resources to provide such service without increasing expenses or rates for Little Rock citizens; and,

WHEREAS, this Board believes that it is beneficial to continue to have MEMS provide Ambulance Services to the City of Sherwood, Arkansas, and thereby promote the health and welfare of the citizens of Little Rock, Arkansas and Sherwood, Arkansas; and,

WHEREAS, the delivery of Ambulance Services (emergency and non-emergency) to the City of Sherwood, Arkansas, will enhance MEMS’ financial soundness and increase its ability to deliver high-quality emergency medical services to all citizens.

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

Section 1. The Mayor and the City Clerk are authorized to execute a five (5)-year extension of the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, and the City of Sherwood, Arkansas, in a form substantially the same as that attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Section 2. Severability. In the event any portion of this resolution is declared or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration or adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of this
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 this resolution.

Section 3. Repealer. All ordinances and resolutions, and parts thereof, which are in conflict with any provision of this resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

ADOPTED: April 20, 2021

ATTEST:  

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Susan Langley, City Clerk        Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

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Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney
Exhibit A

METROPOLITAN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

EXTENSION OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS

This Agreement is made and entered into as of the 1st day of August, 2021, by and between the Cities of Little Rock, Arkansas (“Little Rock”), and Sherwood, Arkansas (“Sherwood”), cities of the First-Class.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the existing Interlocal Agreement between the two (2) cities for all Ambulance Services expires on July 31, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, the governing bodies of Little Rock and Sherwood have agreed to a five (5)-year extension of the agreement, from August 1, 2021, through July 31, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements of Little Rock and Sherwood and on the terms and conditions set out herein, it is agreed as follows:

1. TERM. The term of this Agreement shall extend from August 1, 2021, for a period of five (5) years, through July 31, 2026, subject to the continuing right of Little Rock and Sherwood to modify, renew, or extend the term by mutual agreement. Either party may terminate the agreement by giving ninety (90) days written notice.

2. EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE. The City of Sherwood has authorized by resolution a five (5) year extension of MEMS’ exclusive Franchise to provide all Ambulance Service to the citizens of Sherwood. Wheelchair van service is excluded from this franchise.

3. CURRENT INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT AND ALL CURRENT AMENDMENTS THERETO ARE ADOPTED AND INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE TO GOVERN THIS EXTENSION. The current Interlocal Agreement, dated August 26, 1996, is adopted and incorporated by reference herein, and sets forth the additional germs governing this agreement. All current amendments to the current Interlocal Agreement, including but not limited to, the Basic Life Services Amendment that went into effect on or about January 25, 2018, are also adopted and incorporated by reference herein and remain valid until terminated by one or both parties.

4. APPROVALS. This Agreement shall not be effective until such time as it has received all approvals as required by Ark. Code Ann. § 25-20-102, et seq.

Executed this _____ day of April, 2021.
ATTEST: CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

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Susan Langley, City Clerk          Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: CITY OF SHERWOOD, ARKANSAS

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Angela Nicholson, City Clerk          Virginia Hillman Young, Mayor

This agreement acknowledged this _____ day of __________, 2021.

LITTLE ROCK AMBULANCE AUTHORITY

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Jennifer Pierce, Chair