RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO TRANSFER
FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS ($500,000.00), FROM THE
CONTINGENCY FUND TO A NEW DISASTER RELIEF FUND, IN
RESPONSE TO THE MARCH 31, 2023, TORNADO THAT PASSED
THROUGH THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2023, the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, (City) suffered severe destruction
and widespread property damage from an EF3 tornado; and,

WHEREAS, the severe weather conditions made some of the roads unsafe to drive and can impede the
ability to provide necessary and timely emergency response; and,

WHEREAS, approximately 2,648 structures that consisted of residences and businesses were damaged
throughout the City; and,

WHEREAS, also on March 31, 2023, Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders issued a Declaration of
Emergency for the State of Arkansas and activated the Arkansas National Guard; and,

WHEREAS, emergency measures were taken to respond to a disaster in order to minimize the loss of
life, destruction of property and alleviate hardship or suffering caused thereby; and,

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2023, Mayor Frank Scott, Jr., declared the City to be a State of Emergency,
entitled to aid relief, aid assistance, and directed the implementation of the City Emergency Response
Framework.

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

Section 1. The City Manager is authorized to transfer Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000.00)
from the Contingency Fund, Account No. 108129-S10C139, to a new Disaster Relief Fund, Account No.
S10C535-Disaster Relief 2023 Tornado, to address needs in the City, including debris removal, over-time
pay for first responders and other city employees who responded to the tornado, and for other purposes
related to the tornado.

Section 2. Severability. In the event any title, subtitle, section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph,
subparagraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or work of this ordinance is declared or adjudged to be invalid
or unconstitutional, such declaration or adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of the ordinance
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 ordinance.
Section 3. *Repealer.* All laws, ordinances and resolutions, or parts of the same, that are inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

ADOPTED: April 11, 2023

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