ORDINANCE NO. ________

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND LITTLE ROCK, ARK., REV. CODE § 35-103 (1988) TO ADD A SECTION WHICH NAMES THE COMMITTEE THE LITTLE ROCK WATER RECLAMATION COMMISSION; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND, FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, when the City followed State Law and created a Sanitary Sewer Committee, the organization became known as the Little Rock Sanitary Sewer Committee (“the Committee”); and,

WHEREAS, the scope of authority for a wastewater system is much more involved than just sewer collection, and now deals with significant Federal and State Statutes and regulations that address the reclamation of water from a sewer system; and,

WHEREAS, on April 22, 2015, the Committee approved Resolution No. 2015-06 which suggests that the name of the Committee be changed to reflect the water reclamation obligations that are involved with sewer collection and treatment;

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

Section 1. Little Rock, Ark., Rev. Code § 35-103 (1988) is hereby amended to add a new subsection (f) which states:

(f) The name of the committee shall be the Little Rock Water Reclamation Commission.

Section 2. Section 4. Repealer. All laws, ordinances, resolutions, or parts of the same, that are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 5. Severability. In the event any title, section, paragraph, 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 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 ordinance.

Section 6. Emergency Clause. It is essential to provide an appropriate name for the entity primarily responsible for the collection, treatment, and discharge of sewage and effluent from structures within the City, particularly when such responsibility also entails compliance with federal and state statutes and regulations that encompass various aspects of water reclamation, and to assure that such a designation is in place as quickly as possible; this requirement is essentially to the public health, safety and welfare; an
emergency is, therefore, declared to exist and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after
the date of its passage.

PASSED: May 19, 2015

ATTEST:                      APPROVED:

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Susan Langley, City Clerk           Mark Stodola, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

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Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney