1	RESOLUTION NO		
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3	A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH CONDITIONS TO BE MET BEFORE		
4	THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, WILL PROVIDE FUNDS TO		
5	THE METROPOLITAN HOUSING ALLIANCE IN 2025; AND FOR		
6	OTHER PURPOSES.		
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8	WHEREAS, the Little Rock Housing Authority, which conducts business as the Metropolitan Housing		
9	Alliance ("MHA"), faces a difficult economic situation where outstanding loans of over five million dollars		
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11	Heights-I and Madison Heights-II will be foreclosed on August 1, 2025, unless payment is made; and,		
12	WHEREAS, even though the Arkansas Supreme Court has ruled that MHA is a state entity notwith-		
13	standing the fact state statutes direct the City to make initial appointments to the governing body, and pro-		
14	vides the authority to remove members of that body, there has been a request for financial assistance from		
15	the City of Little Rock, Arkansas ("the City") in order to meet the outstanding obligations and to provide		
16	funds that would be used to renovate, rehabilitate, or both, various MHA properties including, but not lim-		
17	ited to MH-I and MH-II; and,		
18	WHEREAS, the total amount of this request is approximately seven million five hundred thousand		
19	dollars (\$7,500,000.00), and MHA has been deemed by the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Devel-		
20	opment "HUD") as a troubled public housing authority; and,		
21	WHEREAS, the persons mainly served by MHA are the least able to provide sufficient funds to help		
22	meet this outstanding debt situation, and are citizens of the City, so the City wishes to assist if it is possib		
23	to do so legally; and,		
24	WHEREAS, the City has an interest to assure thata persons are provided the possibility of clean af-		
25	fordable housing even if they possess only a low to moderate income; and,		
26	WHEREAS, state statute allows a municipality from time to time to loan money to a public housing		
27	authority, or if the City were to purchase assets the City might be able to use short-term financing as au-		
28	thorized by Amendment 78 to the Arkansas Constitution, yet before taking any such action the City should		
29	assure that there its fiduciary duties for the use of governmental funds are met;		
30	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY		
31	OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:		
32	Section 1. The City acknowledges that it has been asked to provide financial assistance to MHA, and		
33	while the City wishes to do what it can, it also wishes to assure that any such action is appropriate.		

**Section 2.** The City states that before any funds are provided by it to MHA through any financing vehicle, the following actions must be completed to the sole satisfaction of the Board of Directors:

- (a) All entities with any claim against MHA which may be resolved by action to foreclose on MH-I, MH-I, or both, shall provide a written release to the City in a form acceptable to the City Attorney that upon the provision of funds to MHA, these entities will provide a written satisfaction of interest against MHA to the City which shall be filed of record in the real estate records of Pulaski County, Arkansas; and,
- (b) HUD, on behalf of the itself and the United States of America, will provide a written certification in a form acceptable to the City Attorney which states that any interest it has, or had, in MH-I and MH-II are rendered null and void, and will be quitclaimed to the City upon the provision of City funds that will cancel any outstanding debts or claims against MH-I and MH-II which shall be filed of record in the real estate records of Pulaski County, Arkansas; and,
- (c) The State of Arkansas, through the appropriate entity, will provide a written certification in a form acceptable to the City Attorney which states that any interest it has, or had, in MH-I and MH-II are rendered null and void, and will be quitclaimed to the City upon the provision of City funds that will cancel any outstanding debts or claims against MH-I and MH-II which shall be filed of record in the real estate records of Pulaski County, Arkansas; and,
- (d) Any joint venture that works with MHA or the Central Arkansas Housing Corporation ("CAHC") which has any interest in MH-I and MH-II shall deed all right title and interest to these properties to MHA in a form acceptable to the City Attorney prior to any disbursement by the City and which shall be filed of record in the real estate records of Pulaski County, Arkansas;
- (e) Any interest that CAHC has in MH-I and MH-II shall deed all right title and interest to these properties to MHA in a form acceptable to the City Attorney prior to any disbursement by the City and which shall be filed of record in the real estate records of Pulaski County, Arkansas;
- (f) MHA shall execute any document, in a form acceptable to the City Attorney, which establishes that MH-I and MH-II are collateral for a loan, or security for a debt to the City for the disbursement of funds to MHA pursuant to this Resolution; and,
- (g) Any entity, including governmental entities, shall execute a release of any interest it has, or may have, or arguably may have, in the property known as MH-I or MH-II, which acknowledges and agrees to the conditions set forth in this Resolution; and,
- (h) MHA shall provide the City, prior to the disbursement of any funds, audited financial records which establish how the monies provided by a loan from the City shall be repaid, and which is found acceptable by the City Attorney and the City Finance Director; and,

1 (i) During the period of any outstanding loan from the City MHA shall be responsible for all of 2 the following as to MH-I and MH-II: and, 3 (i) Insurance on the property at MH-I and MH-II; and, 4 Operation and management of the rentals at MH-I and MH-II in a manner that assures 5 the repayment in full of all sums due to the City as a result of this loan; and, 6 (ii) Indemnity by MHA of any claim on any nature whatsoever, including but not limited 7 to fees and costs, penalties and interest, successfully brought against MHA because of 8 the properties MH-I and MH-II; and, 9 (iii) Access to the City at any reasonable time to inspection of all books, records, certified 10 audit reports, and other documents that pertain to MH-I and MH-II while any portion 11 of the loan is outstanding on those properties; and, 12 (iv) The right to refuse any action, before it is formally agreed upon, of MHA as to MH-I and MH-II which would create a colorable or recognized claim against the properties; 13 14 and, 15 (v) Failure timely to pay any amount for taxes, contracts, insurance, or any other expense 16 associated with the with the operation and management of MH-I and MH-II by MHA; Placement in escrow by MHA with an agent acceptable to the City of fee simple 17 (vi) 18 title or MH-I and MH-II in the City, as established by a complete title search of the 19 property of MH-I and MH-II, so that any failure at any time of MHA to follow 20 each and every condition set forth in this Resolution which upon notice of any 21 failure of MHA to comply with any provision of this Resolution would result in 22 delivery of the warranty deeds to the City to be filed of record in the real estate 23 records of Pulaski County, Arkansas. 24 (j) The City obtains an opinion from qualified legal counsel that pursuant to Arkansas law the City 25 is able to enter into such a loan agreement with MHA. 26 Section 3. Severability. In the event any title, section, paragraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or 27 word of this resolution is declared or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration or adju-28 dication shall not affect the remaining portions of the resolution, which shall remain in full force and effect 29 as if the portion so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional were not originally a part of the reso-30 lution. 31 Section 4. Repealer. All laws, ordinances, resolutions, or parts of the same, that are inconsistent with 32 the provisions of this resolution, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency. 33 **ADOPTED:** May 20, 2025 34 //

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4	Allison Segars, City Clerk	Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor	
5	APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:		
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