RESOLUTION NO. __________

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE RANDY W. THOMAS LIVING TRUST FOR THE PURCHASE OF APPROXIMATELY FIFTY-FOUR (54) ACRES OF LAND, FOR USE BY THE LITTLE ROCK PORT AUTHORITY FOR ECONOMIC PROSPECT RECRUITMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, through its 2011 Capital Sales Tax Initiative, set aside money for the specific purpose of expanding the real estate holdings of the Little Rock Port Authority; and,

WHEREAS, the Little Rock Port Authority has been actively exploring opportunities for expansion, including the development of a 2008 Master Real Estate Acquisition Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the Little Rock Port Authority Staff has worked with the Greater Little Rock Regional Chamber of Commerce, and other interested parties, to explore viable options for real estate expansion and determined that this particular parcel will meet the future needs of the Little Rock Port Authority for Economic Prospect recruitment purposes, and,

WHEREAS, the Little Rock Port Authority Staff has extended a preliminary offer, based upon a third-party appraisal, for the property in question and the offer has been accepted by the owner.

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

Section 1. The City of Little Rock Board of Directors authorizes the Mayor to purchase approximately fifty-four (54) acres of land for a purchase price of One-Million, Seventy-Nine Thousand, Two-Hundred Forty-Four Thousand Dollars ($1,079,244), plus associated closing cost, and is contingent upon positive findings of the Phase One Environmental Study and determination of clear title. The property is located on, or near, Harper Road; Parcel No. 24R0340002600

Section 2. Funding for this acquisition will come from the Little Rock Port Authority’s Land Acquisition Account.

Section 3. This transaction will include an initial payment of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($250,000.00) and then annual payments of One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars ($125,000.00) until the property is fully paid off.

Section 4. 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 5. 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.

ADOPTED: August 4, 2020

ATTEST: 

APPROVED:

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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

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