

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND CONGRATULATING
THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK FIRE FIGHTERS UNION LOCAL
35 OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE
FIGHTERS (“IAFF”) ON THEIR 100TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY.**

WHEREAS, the North Little Rock Fire Fighters Union Local 35 is celebrating 100 years of service to the Fire Fighters of the North Little Rock Fire Department, and

WHEREAS, established in 1918 the North Little Rock Fire Fighters Union now represents 153 fire fighters that staff 11 fire stations across the greater North Little Rock area serving 55.5 square miles and over 66,000 residents; and

WHEREAS, firefighting has always been one of the most dangerous positions in public service, as fire fighters put their service to the community above their personal safety; and

WHEREAS, our fire fighters serve the citizens of North Little Rock with a wide range of services, including but not limited to structural firefighting, advance life support paramedic service, technical rescue, hazardous materials response, fire prevention education, building inspections, and arson investigations; and

WHEREAS, the IAFF is behind nearly every advancement in the fire and emergency services in the 21st century; and

WHEREAS, the IAFF have secured through the United States Congress \$1.5 billion dollars each year for the last several years for the Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response (“S.A.F.E.R.”) grant to hire and retain firefighters and the Assistance to Firefighters grant (“A.F.G.”) to purchase firefighting and safety equipment which the City of North Little Rock has been awarded over \$4 million dollars in the past five years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That this council does hereby recognize and congratulate the North Little Rock Fire Fighters Union Local 35 of the IAFF on their 100th Anniversary and to thank our North Little Rock Fire Fighters for conducting themselves with selflessness and professionalism as they serve the residents and visitors of North Little Rock.

PASSED:

APPROVED:

Mayor Joe A. Smith

SPONSOR:

Joe A. Smith
Mayor Joe A. Smith *JAF*

ATTEST:

Diane Whitbey, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Amy Beckman
Amy Beckman Fields, City Attorney

PREPARED BY THE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/cf

FILED <u>11:05</u> A.M. _____ P.M.
By <u>A. Fields</u>
DATE <u>10-2-18</u>
Diane Whitbey, City Clerk and Collector North Little Rock, Arkansas
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