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RESOLUTION NO. ____

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE GARAGE OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1601 WEST 18TH STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK TO CONSTITUTE A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND CONDEMNING SAID STRUCTURE; PROVIDING A PERIOD OF TIME FOR PROPERTY OWNER TO ABATE SAID NUISANCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the garage whose location is set forth herein is vacant and has become run down, dilapidated, unsightly, dangerous, obnoxious, unsafe, not fit for human habitation and detrimental to the public welfare of North Little Rock citizens and residents; and

WHEREAS, the condition of such property constitutes a serious fire and health hazard to the City of North Little Rock, and unless immediate actions are taken to remedy this situation by removing, razing and abating said nuisance, there is a great likelihood that the surrounding property may be destroyed by fire originating from such an unsafe and hazardous structure, and also that since the structure is without proper sanitary facilities and as such is unsafe and hazardous and a breeding place for rats, rodents and other dangerous germ carriers of diseases, it constitutes a serious hazard to the health and safety of the citizens of North Little Rock, and should be moved or razed for the purpose of eliminating such hazards.

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

SECTION 1: That the City Council hereby declares the garage located at the property identified in Section 2 below to be vacant and run down, dilapidated, unsafe, unsightly, dangerous, obnoxious, unsanitary, a fire hazard, a menace to abutting properties, with the current condition of said structure not being fit for human habitation; because of such conditions, the City Council declares the garage to be condemned as a public nuisance and is ordered abated, removed or razed by the owner thereof.

SECTION 2: That the owner of record of the following described property is hereby directed to raze the garage or otherwise abate the said nuisance within thirty (30) days after the posting of a true copy of this Resolution at a conspicuous place upon the structure constituting the nuisance described herein, to-wit:

> East 1/2 of Lot 11 and all of Lot 12, Block 1 of Harts Addition to the City of North Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas, and being show on plat recorded in Book 81, Page 281, records of Pulaski County, Arkansas (Parcel No. 33N2510001000 located at 1601 West 18th Street and owned by Deborah Jean Grissim.).

SECTION 3: If the aforementioned structure has not been razed and/or removed within thirty (30) days after posting a true copy of this Resolution at a conspicuous place upon the

structure constituting the nuisance, or the nuisance otherwise abated, the structure shall be torn down and/or removed by the Director of Code Enforcement or his duly designated representative. Each day after the aforesaid thirty (30) days in which said nuisance is not abated shall constitute a separate and distinct offense punishable by a fine of $250.00 for each such separate and distinct offense.

SECTION 4: That the provisions of this Resolution are hereby declared to be severable and if any section, phrase or provision shall be declared or held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remainder of the sections, phrases or provisions.

SECTION 5: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED:

APPROVED:

Mayor Joe A. Smith

SPONSOR:

Mayor Joe A. Smith

ATTEST:

Diane Whitbey, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Amy Beckman Fields, City Attorney

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/kt

FILED 10:45 A.M. _____ P.M.
By Amy Fields, CA
DATE 12/8/20

Diane Whitbey, City Clerk and Collector
North Little Rock, Arkansas

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CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT

December 1, 2020

Mayor Smith
City Council Members

Re: 1601 West 18th Street – Garage Only
Lot 11 Block 1 Sub: Harts
City of North Little Rock, AR

Owners: Deborah Jean Grissim
North Little Rock, AR

Dear Mayor Smith;

On August 13, 2020, Officer Paul Riley conducted an exterior inspection of the Garage located at 1601 West 18th St. and saw that the structure was burned, unsecured with vagrants and in a state of disrepair. Officer Riley mailed a notice of Public Nuisance to Deborah Jean Grissim to repair the garage or tear it down.

Deborah Jean Grasim called the office and stated that she would have her daughter contact Code Enforcement regarding the burned garage. I did receive a call from Misty Driscoll Ms. Grissim's daughter; she stated that she nor her mother has the means to demolish the structure but agreed that it needs to be removed. I emailed a copy of all notifications to Ms. Driscoll, she also advised that we need to contact her with any changes because her mother is dealing with a mental illness and she gets upset.

The condemnation procedures were started due to the condition of the garage. Owners and/or heirs and all interested parties were given notice of City Council for the December 14, 2020 Hearing date. Notices were mailed by certified and regular mail, legal notice ran in the newspaper, and were posted on the property. This structure is considered to be unfit for human habitation.

This property constitutes a public nuisance; it is the recommendation of the North Little Rock Code Enforcement Department that this structure be considered for condemnation.

Felecia McHenry
Code Enforcement Officer