

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO JERRY JONES FOR HIS DONATION OF DALLAS COWBOY GAME TICKETS AND TRAVEL FOR UNIFORMED OFFICERS OF THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK POLICE DEPARTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, for many years the North Little Rock Police Department (“NLRPD”) has provided an outstanding example to other police departments across the country of community involvement and trust; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jerry Jones, owner of the Dallas Cowboys of the National Football League, grew up in North Little Rock and fully understands the dynamics of the community and surrounding areas; he has never forgotten his Arkansas roots and keeps up with what is going on in his hometown; and

WHEREAS, while growing up in the City, Mr. Jones feels NLRPD officers were great role models for him and other youths and has continued to be impressed with the work the NLRPD and their outreach programs provide to children and believes they are outstanding examples for other law enforcement departments across the country; and

WHEREAS, due to the continuous efforts by the NLRPD to build trust and forge relationships among law enforcement and the community, Mr. Jones would like to show his appreciation for their work through a gift to NLRPD officers of tickets and travel to a Dallas Cowboys football game; and

WHEREAS, state ethics laws governing such valuable gifts to public employees require transparency and approval by the governing body; and

WHEREAS, the City is immensely proud of its uniformed police officers and wishes to accept the generous offer of Mr. Jerry Jones.

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

SECTION 1: That the City of North Little Rock, Arkansas deeply appreciates the generosity of Mr. Jerry Jones, owner of the Dallas Cowboys and native of North Little Rock, of tickets and travel to a Dallas Cowboys football game for NLRPD officers and family in recognition of their efforts, work and focus on the welfare of the City’s children.

SECTION 2: The City Council expressly intends that the benefits described in this Resolution shall be deemed to be received by the City and passed directly to NLRPD uniformed officers without diminishment, according to the intent of the donor, without regard to actual receipt by the City. The City Council further intends that, for the purpose of compliance with state ethics laws including A.C.A. § 21-8-801, the benefits described in this Resolution shall be deemed to be benefits from the governmental body which the officers are entitled to receive.

SECTION 3: That the City Attorney is authorized to execute such documents as may be deemed necessary or advisable to document donations received by the City.

SECTION 4: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and upon its passage and approval.

PASSED:

APPROVED:

Mayor Joe A. Smith

SPONSOR:

ATTEST:

Joe A. Smith
Mayor Joe A. Smith *m-bm*

Diane Whitbey, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

C. Jason Carter
C. Jason Carter, City Attorney *m-bm*

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/pj

FILED <u>10:54</u> A.M. _____ P.M.
By <u>Maria Renard Miller</u>
DATE <u>10/18/16</u>
Diane Whitbey, City Clerk and Collector North Little Rock, Arkansas
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