RESOLUTION OF THE QUORUM COURT OF CRAIGHEAD COUNTY, ARKANSAS TO DECLARE AN EXEMPTION FROM COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR THE CRAIGHEAD COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE 6 DODGE DURANGO'S.

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2022-33 adopted the 2023 budget for the Craighead County Sheriff's Department and Resolution 2023-2 was passed on January 23, 2023 allowing an exemption from competitive bidding to purchase Chevy Tahoe's; and

WHEREAS, there are no available state bid priced, or non-state bid priced police package Tahoe SUVs, Dodge pickups or Ford F-150 pickups in Arkansas and surrounding areas, due to a vehicle shortage; and

WHEREAS, it is unknown when these vehicle types will be available again due to supply disruptions and extensive research throughout the region has been done to locate comparably priced vehicles to insure county funds are allocated efficiently, and the search has revealed none available.

WHEREAS, the Craighead County Sheriff's Department is in desperate need for vehicles, due to having an older fleet with vehicles having in excess of 140,000 miles, and there is an emergency due to public safety being in jeopardy with lack of adequate vehicles for the Sheriff's Department.

WHEREAS, there are six (6) 2023 Dodge Durango's located with Superior Automotive Group of Siloam Springs, AR with the following VIN numbers, and the Sheriff's Department has signed a purchase order to take possession.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF CRAIGHEAD COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS THAT:

The Quorum Court of Craighead County, in accordance with the terms of A.C.A. Section 14-22-106, Section 8A, hereby declares that the purchase of the above mentioned six (6) Dodge Durango's for the Sheriff's Department is needed in an unforeseen and unavoidable emergency which has arisen where human life, health or public property is in jeopardy.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 2023

APPROVED:

Marvin Day, County Judge

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Mary Dawn Marshall, County Clerk

COUNTY & PROBATE COURT CLERK