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RESOLUTION 2023-2

RESOLUTION OF THE QUORUM COURT OF CRAIGHEAD COUNTY, ARKANSAS TO DECLARE AN EXEMPTION FROM COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR THE CRAIGHEAD COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN PURCHASING 4 CHEVROLET TAHOE'S, AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2022-33 adopted the 2023 budget for Craighead County Sheriff's Department, including the purchase of four Police Package vehicles; and

WHEREAS, there are no available 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 multiple current vehicles with 179,000 miles and over, 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 4 Police Package Chevy Tahoe's located with Superior Automotive Group of Siloam Springs, AR and the Sheriff's Department can take possession quickly.

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

SECTION 1: 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 four (4) Chevy Tahoe'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.

SECTION 2: Emergency Clause. That due to the difficulty of obtaining vehicles, that the above-described resolution is needed for the immediate needs of Craighead County.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 23th DAY OF Carnay 2023

APPROVED:

Marvin Day, County Judge

Mary Dawn Marshall, County Clerk

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