## ordinance no <u>2019</u> - 26

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF CRAIGHEAD COUNTY, ARKANSAS, AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE PURCHASES OF EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES FROM FORREST OFFICE MACHINES.

## SECTION 1.

Whereas, Craighead County is regularly in need of quality equipment and services for copy machines, related equipment, supplies, and service at the local level as is currently being provided by Forrest Office Machines to several county offices; and

Whereas, Forrest Office Machines is one of a limited number of local copy machine and service businesses that offers a substantial amount of equipment and quality service and is frequently utilized by Craighead County; and

Whereas, Forrest Office Machines is a local complete copier and service orientated business and the equipment and service fees are competitive, and it has a long history of business dealings and services with Craighead County; and

Whereas, Barry Forrest, who also is currently serving as justice of the peace for district 3. is either owner, part owner, officer, or employee of Forrest Office Machines; and

Whereas, it is in the best interest of Craighead County that it continues to be able to make purchases of equipment and services from Forrest Office Machines; and

Whereas, Arkansas Code Annotated sec 14-14-1202 sets forth guidelines for addressing such potential conflicts of interest.

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Quorum Court of Craighead County, Arkansas, that Craighead County is hereby authorized to purchase copy machines, related equipment, supplies, and services from Forrest Office Machines, a local business located in Jonesboro, Arkansas, subject to a determination by the Quorum Court that such purchases of service and supplies are in the best interest of Craighead County, Arkansas, and recusal from participation in any required votes on such purchases by elected officials who may be either part owner, officer, or employee of Forrest Office Machines.

## SECTION 2.

This Ordinance, being necessary for the protection and preservation of public health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication.

Dated this

12 th day of November 2019

Approved:

Marvin Day, Craighead County Judge

Attest:

ade Holliday, Craighead County Clerk