RESOLUTION NO. 2024-

CITY OF TONTITOWN, WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR A 50/50 MATCHING GRANT FROM THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND TOURISM FOR THE SBANOTTO PARK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT IN THE CITY OF JOHNSON, ARKANSAS.

WHEREAS, the City of Tontitown, Arkansas seeks to improve the recreation facilities by adding an all-inclusive splash pad at Sbanotto Park and wishes to seek grant funding assistance for the Sbanotto Park Improvements Project; and

WHEREAS, in order to obtain the funds necessary to develop and/or improve the site for such a recreation area, it is necessary to obtain an Outdoor Recreation Matching Grant from the Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism; and

WHEREAS, the plans for such recreation areas have been prepared and the price therefore has been established; and

WHEREAS, this governing body understands the grantee and grantor will enter into a binding agreement which obligates both parties to policies and procedures contained within the Outdoor Recreation Matching Grant Application Guide, including, but not limited to, the following; the park area defined by the project boundary map, submitted with the application, must remain in outdoor recreation use in perpetuity, regardless if the property is bought or developed with matching grant funds and; all future overhead utility lines within the project boundary must be placed underground and; the project area must remain open and available for use by the public at all reasonable times of the day and year; facilities can be reserved for special events, league play, etc. but cannot be reserved, leased or assigned for exclusive use, and; the project area must be kept clean, maintained, and operated in a safe and healthful manner; and

WHEREAS, the Tontitown City Council is well aware and apprised of the abovementioned project, and will provide the local portion of the development cost of the entire project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Tontitown, Arkansas:

<u>Section 1.</u> The Mayor is hereby authorized to make application to the Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism for assistance to develop recreational facilities for the City of Tontitown.

Section 2. The Mayor and her designee are hereby authorized to take all such action as necessary in connection therewith.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of July 2024.

APPROVED:

Angela Russell, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rhonda Ardemagni, City Clerk-Treasurer (SEAL)