CITY OF WARD ORDINANCE NO. O-2023-26

AN ORDINANCE; CLARIFYING THE DUTIES OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBER FOR THE CITY OF WARD, ARKANSAS; ESTABLISHING THE SALARY OF COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR THE CITY OF WARD, ARKANSAS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED (A.C.A.) 14-42-113 requires that the salary of the Mayor, City Clerk and other city officials be set by the governing body and that same must be set by ordinance¹; and,

WHEREAS, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WARD, ARKANSAS, deems it appropriate to adjust the salary of the City Council Members from time to time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WARD, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That Arkansas Code Annotated (A.C.A.) § 14-43-501 - § 14-43-502 establishes the general powers and duties of the City Council.

SECTION 2: That the Council Members shall receive a salary of \$358.00 per month for the calendar year 2024 for the full and satisfactory completion of the duties and responsibilities established herein.

SECTION 3: That it is the desire of the City Council to increase the Council's salary, at minimum, annually by the same cost of living allowance provided to all city employees, plus an additional \$100.00 per month for three (3) consecutive years (2024, 2025, 2026)

SECTION 4 – SEVERABILITY: If, for any reason, any portion or portions of this ordinance shall be held invalid, such invalidity shall in no way affect the remaining portions.

SECTION 5 – EMERGENCY DECLARED: That the Ward City Council has determined that an emergency exists to enact this change. As such, this Ordinance is hereby effective on January 1, 2024.

¹ A.C.A. 14-43-409

SAID ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED ON DECEMBER 18, 2023.

Brooke N, Chapman N, Hall N	Hefner N , McMinn Y , Ruble N
YEAS: 4 NAYS: 3	Mayor (if needed)
APPROVED:	ATTEST:
Charles Gastineau, Mayor	Krystal Rummel, City Clerk