RESOLUTION NO. <u>R-127-22</u>

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A COMPREHENSIVE SAFETY ACTION PLAN

WHEREAS, approximately 2,500 traffic accidents occur within the City of Fort Smith annually; and

WHEREAS, these traffic accidents on average result in nine fatalities and cause \$12.9 million in property damage per year; and

WHEREAS, the development and implementation of a Comprehensive Safety Action Plan can improve roadway safety for all users and significantly reduce or eliminate roadway fatalities and serious injuries; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation has Safe Streets and Roads For All (SS4A) Grant funds available for the development of Comprehensive Safety Action Plans; and

WHEREAS, the SS4A Grant Program requires that the Board of Directors make a public commitment with a timeline to an eventual goal of zero roadway fatalities and injuries; and

WHEREAS, the City Administrator is considered the Chief Executive Officer of the City and executes grants on behalf of the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS, THAT:

- SECTION 1: The Board of Directors of the City of Fort Smith authorizes the execution and submission of the SS4A grant application to the U.S. Department of Transportation.
- SECTION 2: The amount of Federal funds to be awarded, pending successful application, is \$280,000.00 with a local share in the amount of \$70,000.00.
- SECTION 3: The City Administrator is designated as the Authorized Agent to act on behalf of the City of Fort Smith in the execution of grant agreements and all other matters in connection with this grant application with the U.S. Department of Transportation.
- SECTION 4: The Board of Directors commits to the goal of achieving zero roadway fatalities and serious injuries by the year 2050.

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Adopted and approved this	day of
	APPROVED:
ATTEST: Shew Sard City Clerk	
	Approved as to Form Mo Publication Required