

RESOLUTION NO. R-43-23

RESOLUTION SUGGESTING NAMING THE CITY OF FORT SMITH FIRE STATION 1 AT 200 N. 5<sup>TH</sup> STREET THE *PHILIP P. CHRISTENSEN FIRE STATION 1* IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CITY POLICY FOR NAMING CITY FACILITIES

WHEREAS, Philip P. Christensen joined the Fort Smith Fire Department as a Firefighter on May 26, 1992, serving with distinction and promoting through the ranks until ultimately promoted to Chief of the Department in 2016; and

WHEREAS, Chief Christensen's nearly 31-year tour of duty and service to the Fort Smith Fire Department concluded with his death on February 11, 2023 after a courageous nine-month battle with cancer; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Smith's Board of Directors wishes to suggest naming a city facility in honor and memory of Chief Christensen; and


WHEREAS, Fire Station 1 at 200 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street is the city facility most associated with Chief Christensen over his career with the Fort Smith Fire Department.

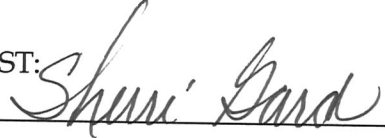
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the City of Fort Smith, Arkansas, that:

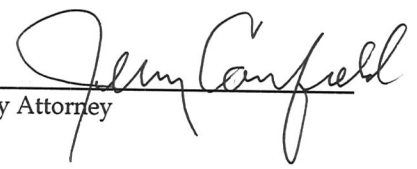
Section 1. The name of the City of Fort Smith Fire Station located at 200 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street in Fort Smith should be the "Philip P. Christensen Fire Station 1" in honor and memory of the late Chief Christensen.

Section 2. In accordance with City policy regarding the naming of City-owned facilities as adopted by Resolution No. 124-20, the Board will publicize the suggested name and receive public comments for at-least a four-week period commencing with adoption of this Resolution.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023.

APPROVED:  
  
Mayor

ATTEST:   
City Clerk

Approved as to form:  
  
City Attorney