Exhibit "A"

RESOLUTION NO.2022-09

Fulton County Arkansas

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF FULTON COUNTY, STATE OF ARKANSAS, A RESOLUTION TO BE ENTITLED:

A RESOLUTION ADOPTED IN FURTHERANCE OF THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT AND IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) was passed by Congress and signed by the President on March 11, 2021, to provide fast relief and response to the COVID-19 pandemic emergency.

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan Act authorizes the application for grants and use of funds in responding and providing relief for the Covid-19 pandemic emergency.

WHEREAS Arkansas Code Ann. § 14-14-802(b) explicitly authorizes the county quorum court to provide for any services or function not expressly prohibited by the Arkansas Constitution or by law, and explicitly authorizes appropriations for: fairs and livestock shows, economic development, community, exhibitions, cultural and civic services.

WHEREAS, due to the COVID-19 pandemic emergency certain organizations, namely the First Baptist Church of Ash Flat, the Mammoth Spring Backpack Program, Viola Food/Backpack Program, Mammoth Spring Shining Light Food Pantry, Agape Food Room Program, Salem Veterans of Foreign Wars, Daughters of the American Revolution, Salem Assembly of God Food Pantry, Stop the Cycle, Fulton County Fair Association, Mammoth Spring Senior Citizens Center, Fulton County Rural Water Association and Safe Night Ministries have served vital roles in their respective communities, have responded to increased demands for services, and have been restricted in their funding capabilities.

WHEREAS the aforementioned entities have made written application for a contract for services and assistance relief from the COVID-19 pandemic for their assistance, support, rent ,utilities and other necessary costs for the period from July 27, 2022 through December 31, 2023. A copy of the application of each entity is attached hereto and marked Exhibit "A;" and

WHEREAS a contract for services has been entered into by and between Fulton County and the aforementioned entities for the sum of \$4,000.00 for each Food Bank, \$85,000.00 for the Salem VFW, \$10,000.00 for the Daughters of the American Revolution, \$10,000.00 for Stop the Cycle,\$62,500.00 for the Fulton County Fair Association, \$100,000.00 for the Mammoth Spring Senior Citizens Center, \$200,000.00 for the Fulton County Rural Water Association, and \$23,150.00 for Safe Night Ministries for assistance, support, rent, utilities, and other costs for the period from July 27, 2022 through December 31,2023. A copy of the contract for services is attached hereto and marked Exhibit "B;" and

WHEREAS the viability and enforceability of the contract for services is dependent upon appropriation of the sum requested of \$514,650.00.

WHEREAS the Quorum Court is committed to appropriate the sum requested of \$514,650.00 or a lesser sum regardless of whether or not the grant is awarded, and funds provided under the ARPA, and

WHEREAS the Quorum Court supports this request for ARPA funds, and

WHEREAS applicant has agreed under the contract for services that it will abide by all audit request by the county, State of Arkansas, and the United States over the funds received by the grant or appropriated by the Quorum Court of Fulton County, Arkansas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF FULTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS, TO SUPPORT THE SUBJECT REQUEST FOR RELIEF UNDER ARPA AND TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT FOR THE ENTITIES AS AFORMENTIONED.

APPROVED:

GARY G. CLAYTON FULTON COUNTY JUDGE

7/25/2022

DATE

ATTEST:

VICKIE BISHOP FULTON COUNTY CLERK