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Ordinance No. _____

Council Bill No. B 259-24

AN ORDINANCE

authorizing the City of Columbia to participate in the Missouri Firefighters Critical Illness Trust and Pool; further authorizing the City Manager to execute such documents as may be necessary for the City’s participation therein; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective.

WHEREAS, the Missouri Firefighter Critical Illness Trust and Pool (herein “MFFCIT”) has created a critical illness pool as authorized by Section 320.400 and 537.620 RSMo, to create an alternative for public sector agencies seeking to control rising costs due to critical illnesses, including cancers, in firefighters; and

WHEREAS, Missouri statutes require such an entity to be formed by agreement of at least three public sector agencies; and

WHEREAS, upon a proper application, a new entity has been created and approved by the Director of the Division of Commerce and Insurance and Missouri Secretary of State; and

WHEREAS, the new entity, called “Missouri Fire Fighters Critical Illness Trust and Pool,” is a separate body corporate and trust, under the oversight of a Board of Trustees and the participating agencies; and

WHEREAS, MFFCIT will safeguard, manage, and provide for administrative services for MFFCIT; and

WHEREAS, by agreeing to be one of the agencies participating in MFFCIT, this City is not forever bound to participate in MFFCIT, but does so by agreement; and

WHEREAS, upon proper consideration, the City believes that participating in the MFFCIT risk pool is in the best interests of the City.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City hereby declares its intent to become a member of MFFCIT and to participate thereof upon approval of Board of Trustees of MFFCIT.

SECTION 2. The City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to sign all documents necessary or expedient for the City to participate in the MFFCIT, including Trust/Pool agreement, attached hereto as "Attachment A," and Bylaws, agreeing to adhere to the rules of said documents, and to be bound together with other members thereby.

SECTION 3. The City staff are hereby authorized and directed to provide such assistance as may be necessary to carry out the intent of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2024.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Counselor