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A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE MUSKOGEE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, SPECIAL SALES TAX RESOLUTION DATED SEPTEMBER 6, 2005; AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION SERVICES FOR MUSKOGEE COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AND DECLARAING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, on or about September 6, 2005, the Board of County Commissioners of Muskogee County, Oklahoma, did adopt and pass a resolution levying a 0.0015 percent sales tax upon the gross proceeds of all sales taxable under the Oklahoma Sales Tax Code.

WHEREAS, said sales tax was dedicated to the improvement of fire protection emergency response services throughout Muskogee County, including the construction of new fire stations, the purchasing of communication equipment, the purchase of emergency response vehicles and equipment, and the for the general maintenance and operation of the Muskogee County fire service.

WHEREAS, by Section 23 of the Muskogee County, Oklahoma Special Sales Tax Resolution dated September 6, 2005, the people of Muskogee County authorized the Board of County Commissioners of Muskogee County, Oklahoma, to make administrative changes or additions to the administration of the Muskogee County, Oklahoma Special Sales Tax Resolution dated September 6, 2005, not relating to the rate of taxation.

WHEREAS, Section 339 of Title 19 of the Oklahoma Statutes charges the Board of County Commissions of Muskogee County, Oklahoma, with management of all money belong to Muskogee County.

WHEREAS, Section 340 of Title 19 of the Oklahoma Statutes grants the Board of County Commissioners of Muskogee County, Oklahoma, with full power to inquire into and investigate any accounts, disbursements, bills, and expenses of Muskogee County.

WHEREAS, Section 351 of Title 19 of the Oklahoma Statutes grants the Board of County Commissioners of Muskogee County, Oklahoma, with full power to provide firefighting services in Muskogee County, including the ability to acquire firefighting equipment, operate fire stations, and employee necessary firefighting personnel.

WHEREAS, Section 2814 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes grants the Board of County Commissioners full power to provide for the operation of an emergency telephone service as it necessary for the protection and preservation of the public health of residents of Muskogee County.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Muskogee County, Oklahoma is concerned the public health of the residents of Muskogee County is not being adequately served by current arrangements and warrants intervention of the Board of County Commissioners of Muskogee County, Oklahoma, so that the public health may be preserved in such territory.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MUSKOGEE COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, THAT:

SECTION 1. CONTRACT AUTHORIZED

Pursuant to the power vested in the Board of County Commissioners of Muskogee County, Oklahoma, by Section 23 of the Muskogee County, Oklahoma Special Sales Tax Resolution dated September 6, 2005, and by state law:

- A. The Board of County Commissioners of Muskogee County, Oklahoma, does hereby authorize the County Emergency Management Director on behalf of the Board to enter into a contract with such emergency communication service provider as the Director may determine best to provide emergency communication and dispatching services to the residents of the service area of any Title 19 county fire department in an amount which does not exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) per year per Title 19 county fire department. Such contract shall ensure the residents of the applicable Title 19 county fire department's service area receive emergency communications and dispatching services necessary to dispatch firefighting services as required by law. For the purpose of this resolution, the Director is hereby designated as requisitioning officer for such Title 19 county fire department.
- B. Any amount expended pursuant to this section shall be deducted from any amounts otherwise credited to such Title 19 county fire department under the Muskogee County, Oklahoma Special Sales Tax Resolution dated September 6, 2005.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY. If any provision, paragraph, word, section of article of this resolution is invalidated by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions, paragraphs, words, sections and chapters shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. REPEALER. All other resolutions and parts of other resolutions inconsistent or conflicting with any part of this resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency or conflict.

SECTION 4. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. An immediate necessity existing for the preservation of the public peace health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist by reason of which this resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after passage, approval and publication or posting.

APPROVED this _______

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