RESOLUTION NO.: 2-2014
INTRODUCED BY: MAYOR HEADEN

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE “STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (SAFER)” GRANT FROM THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, in 2013, the Division of Fire filed an application with FEMA and the Department of Homeland Security under the Fiscal Year 2013 “Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER)” grant program and on January 10, 2014, the City was informed that the grant application was approved for project costs totaling $510,747 with no matching share from the City, and which amount is made up of $332,523 for personnel costs and $178,224 for fringe benefits; and

WHEREAS, by this Resolution, the City expresses its desire to accept the grant funds and to establish acceptance of the grant and Grant Agreement Articles through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program’s e-grant system;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it Resolved by the Council of the City of Richmond Heights, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1: Through this Resolution, the City of Richmond Heights accepts the “Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER)” grant and its funds thereunder and the Grant Agreement Articles through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Programs e-grant system in the amount of $510,747.

Section 2: The City agrees that in accepting this grant, it will not deviate from the approved scope of work authorized therefor without prior written approval, by amendment request, from FEMA.

Section 3: The Chief of Fire is instructed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to FEMA on a timely basis, along with a letter from the City expressing its appreciation for the grant award.

Section 4: It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.
Section 5: This Resolution is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and general welfare of the City and its inhabitants, and for the further reason that this Resolution is required to be in effect by February 3, 2014, since that is the deadline for accepting the subject grant funds; wherefore this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five members of Council; otherwise, it shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED:__________________________________________________________

Miesha Wilson Headen, Mayor

APPROVED:_______________________________________________________

ATTEST:__________________________________________________________

Betsy Traben
Clerk of Council

David H. Roche
President of Council