COUNCIL BILL NO. 2026-600 ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Joplin, Missouri, to enter into a Ground Lease Agreement with Liberty Enterprise Group, LLC, a Missouri Corporation, for the purpose of hosting the 2026 World Street Painting Festival during the Route 66 Centennial; and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin.

WHEREAS, the Convention & Visitors Bureau desires to lease real property located at 1717 W. 7th Street, Joplin, Missouri, to host the 2026 World Street Painting Festival as part of the Route 66 Centennial celebration; and

WHEREAS, the 2026 edition of the World Street Painting Festival shall feature twenty to thirty Route 66-themed 3D Street Paintings; and

WHEREAS, the festival shall be held June 2-6, 2026, and thereafter the "gallery" of the 3D paintings will be open for public viewing daily from sunrise to sunset through October 2027.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, as follows:

Section 1. That the Ground Lease Agreement by and between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and Liberty Enterprise Group LLC, to lease 0.60 acres of real property located at 1717 W. 7th Street, Joplin, Missouri, for the 2026 World Street Painting Festival during the Route 66 Centennial, a true and accurate copy of said Agreement being attached hereto and incorporated as Exhibit "A," be, and the same is hereby approved.

Section 2. That the City Manager of the City of Joplin, Missouri, is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Agreement by and on behalf of the City of Joplin.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this _____ day of _____, 2026, by a vote of _____.

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Keenan T. Cortez, Sr., Mayor

ATTEST:

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Holly Nagy, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Peter C. Edwards, City Attorney