COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-613 ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE approving an application for grant money by the City of Joplin, Missouri to the Department of Justice (DOJ) Community Oriented Policing Services dealing generally with Law Enforcement Crisis response and de-escalation enhancement; authorizing the police department to apply on behalf of the City of Joplin, Missouri; and containing an emergency clause.

WHEREAS, The City of Joplin is applying for a grant from the Community Oriented Policing Services (DOJ) program, FY25 Safer Outcomes: Enhancing De-Escalation and Crisis Response Training for Law Enforcement – Support for Law Enforcement Agencies, reference number (O-COPS-2025-172387);

WHEREAS, This agreement allows for the application of the grant money;

WHEREAS, This allows for the expenditure of grant funding related to the implementation of programming that addresses enhanced de-escalation and crisis response training and support for interdisciplinary teams assisting individuals experiencing mental health crises.

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

Section 1. That the application for Grant Funding by the City of Joplin to the Department of Justice (DOJ) Community Oriented Policing Services; providing funding to law enforcement agencies to promote safe outcomes during police encounters with persons in crisis. Grant program will cover crisis response training, de-escalation training and an interdisciplinary response team training to assist individuals experiencing a mental health crisis, a true and accurate copy of the same being attached hereto as in Exhibit, be and the same is, hereby approved.

Section 2. That the police department is hereby authorized to apply on behalf of the City of Joplin, Missouri.

Section 3. That this Ordinance is an emergency within the meaning of Section 2.12 (1)(3) of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Joplin, Missouri in that said Ordinance provides for the funding of certain police officers that provide public safety to the citizens in the city, so it impacts the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety or morals, and city appropriations. In addition, the application deadline for this Department of Justice grant is June 24, 2025.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this 16th, day of June 2025, 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

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Leslie Haase, Director of Finance