COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-617 **ORDINANCE NO.**

AN ORDINANCE approving the City of Joplin to enter into an agreement with Affirm Agency US LLP in the amount of One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand and 00/100 dollars ($125,000.00) approving a contract to complete EPA REO Grant Marketing and Development Services and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause.

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

Section 1. That the City enter into an agreement with Affirm Agency in the amount of One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand and 00/100 dollars ($125,000.00) to complete REO Grant Marketing and Development Services for the City of Joplin, a true and accurate copy of said agreement being attached hereto and incorporated herein, be, and the same, is hereby approved.

Section 2. That the City Manager of the City of Joplin, Missouri, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement, or agreement in substantially similar form, by and on behalf of the City of Joplin with Affirm Agency.

Section 3. That upon the final approval and acceptance of the contractor's work under said contract, in substantial conformance with the attached exhibits, in writing by the City Manager and his certification to the effect to the Director of Finance, the contractor shall be paid from the General Fund, City Council Line, and is budgeted.

Section 4. Staff recommends approval of this council bill on an emergency basis is an emergency within the meaning of section 2.12 (4) of the HOME RULE CHARTER of the City of Joplin, Missouri, as this ordinance is dealing with a general appropriation continuing the day-to-day operations of the City. Furthermore, approval of this council bill will allow the consultant to complete the proposed marketing plan in timely matter to meet the EPA grant deadline.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this _____ day of_____, 2025, by a vote of_____.

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ATTEST: Keenan T. Cortez, Sr, Mayor

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Holly Nagy, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Peter C. Edwards, City Attorney

I hereby certify that a sufficient amount is available in the EPA REO Grant Award Fund to pay the amounts called for on the basis of the bids received.

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Leslie Haase, Director of Finance