COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-543 **ORDINANCE NO**.

AN ORDINANCE adopting and establishing pay rates for certain Unclassified Council Employees; and, containing an emergency clause.

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, desires to grant a wage increase of a 2% inflation adjustment and a 2.5% step increase for the City Attorney, City Clerk, Municipal Judge and the Public Defender effective November 1, 2025.

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

Section 1. That the Annual Salary for the City Attorney, City Clerk, Municipal Judge, and the Public Defender be increased as shown in Exhibit "A".

Section 2. That additional compensation to members of the Unclassified service shall be based upon length of service and paid in accordance with the Longevity Pay Plan currently in effect.

Section 3. That this Ordinance, being an Ordinance affecting current expenditures of the City government and having to do with the expenditure of public funds, is an emergency within the meaning of Section 2.12(3)(4) of the HOME RULE CHARTER of the City of Joplin, Missouri, and as such shall become effective immediately upon its approval and passage.

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

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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