COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-409 ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City council to issue the abatement of ad valorem taxes on improvements to real property located in the Joplin Area Enhanced Enterprise Zone; generally described as located at 3502 Enterprise Ave., Joplin, MO and owned by Cliffstar, LLC/Refresco North America and containing an emergency clause.

WHEREAS, the Department of Economic Development of the State of Missouri has confirmed that the area known as the Joplin Area Enhanced Enterprise Zone which includes portions of the City of Joplin, Jasper County, Newton County, and other participating communities meets the guidelines for the designation as an Enhanced Enterprise Zone, as set forth in 135.953, RSMo; and

WHEREAS, the jobs to be created are in the field of bottling/manufacturing.

WHEREAS, Sections 135.950 to 135.973, RSMo, provides a means and opportunity for the City of Joplin, to cooperate with the State of Missouri to relieve economic distress and attract new jobs to our area; and

WHEREAS, IT IS IN THE INTEREST OF THE City of Joplin, that efforts be made to encourage economic development within the Joplin Area Enhanced Enterprise Zone.

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

Section 1. That the Council does hereby grant a tax abatement of the ad valorem real property taxes to improvements made to property located at 3502 Enterprise Ave., Joplin, MO more particularly described being attached hereto as Exhibit "A" hereinafter "the Property", in the amount of eighty percent (80%) commencing January 1, 2021 and continuing to and ending after December 31st, 2030.

Section 2. That the City Council supports and endorses the recommendation of the Enhanced Enterprise Zone Board of Directors regarding the level of benefit based upon *Benefit Level Options* as noted on Exhibit B (Enhanced Enterprise Zone Tax Abatement Guidelines).

Section 3. That Cliffstar, LLC/Refresco North Amercia is required to file an application requesting abatement with the designated Administrator of the Joplin Area Enhance Enterprise Zone and with the Jasper County Assessor prior to the end of the tax year in which the improvement was made in order to receive the abatement benefit.

Section 4. That Cliffstar, LLC/Refresco North America has twenty-four months beginning January 1, 2021 to create between 10 - 32 jobs.

Section 5. That the Administrator of the Joplin Area Enhanced Enterprise Zone is hereby authorized to execute said abatement of ad valorem taxes for aforementioned property by and on behalf of the City of Joplin, Missouri.

Section 6. That this Ordinance is an emergency within the meaning of Section 2.12(5) of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Joplin, Missouri, in that said ordinance deals with tax rate

and assessments, and as such, is considered an emergency and shall take effect immediately upon passage.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this _____ day of _____, 2020.

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Ryan D. Stanley, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Peter C. Edwards, City Attorney