A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF CHESTER BLAINE WING, III AS CITY ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE CITY OF CREST HILL AND APPROVING AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF CREST HILL, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AND CHESTER BLAINE WING, III

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities of the City of Crest Hill, Will County, Illinois, have the authority to adopt resolutions and to promulgate rules and regulations that pertain to the City's government and affairs and protect the public health, safety, and welfare of its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 2-2-12 of the Illinois Municipal Code (65 ILCS 5/2-2-12), the City Council possesses the authority to enter into contracts that serve the legitimate corporate purposes of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the Corporate Authorities of the City of Crest Hill, Will County, Illinois have the authority to create the Office and Position of City Administrator; and

**WHEREAS**, the Corporate Authorities have previously exercised said authority by the passage of Chapter 2.22 of the City of Crest Hill Code of Ordinances which, among other things, creates the Office and Position of City Administrator and sets out the qualifications, appointment, removal and duties of the City Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Municipal Code (65 ILCS 5/3.1-30-5) and Section 2.22.010 of the City of Crest Hill Code of Ordinances vest the Mayor with the power and authority to appoint a City Administrator with the advice, consent, and approval of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City has been without a full-time City Administrator since 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has contracted with MGT to conduct its second national search for a new City Administrator; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor of the City of Crest Hill has appointed Chester Blaine Wing, III to be the City Administrator for the City of Crest Hill; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's Staff have negotiated an Employment Agreement which shall begin June 3, 2025 and run through the current term of Mayor Raymond Soliman, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein; and

**WHEREAS**, the Corporate Authorities have determined that the appointment of Chester Blaine Wing, III to the Office of City Administrator for the City of Crest Hill should be approved; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has reviewed the Agreement attached as Exhibit A and determined that the conditions, terms, and provisions of the Agreement are fair, reasonable, and acceptable to the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interests of the City and its citizens to approve the Appointment of Chester Blaine Wing, III as City Administrator and to enter into the Employment Agreement with Chester Blaine Wing, III.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Crest Hill, Illinois, pursuant to its statutory authority, as follows:

**SECTION 1: PREAMBLE**. The City Council hereby finds that all the recitals contained in the preamble to this Resolution are true, correct, and complete and are hereby incorporated by reference hereto and made a part hereof.

<u>SECTION 2</u>: CHESTER BLAINE WING, III APPOINTED AS CITY ADMINISTRATOR. The City Council hereby approves the appointment of Chester Blaine Wing, III as City Administrator.

**SECTION 3: AGREEMENT APPROVED.** The City Council hereby finds and declares that the conditions, terms, and provisions of the Employment Agreement (Exhibit A) are fair, reasonable, and acceptable to the City and that the same is hereby approved in form and substance. Therefore, the City Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor to execute and deliver, and the Clerk to attest, the Employment Agreement, and further to take all other actions, including without limitation the execution and delivery of all documents, necessary and appropriate to effectuate the intent of this Resolution, which is to enter into the Agreement with Chester Blaine Wing, III.

<u>SECTION 4</u>: SEVERABILITY. If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this Resolution is held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause, or provision shall not affect any other provision of this Resolution.

**SECTION 5: REPEALER**. All ordinances, resolutions or orders, or parts thereof, which conflict with the provisions of this Resolution, are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed.

**SECTION 6: EFFECTIVE DATE**. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and publication according to law.

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## PASSED THIS $2^{ND}$ DAY OF JUNE, 2025.

	Aye	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Alderman Scott Dyke Alderman Angelo Deserio Alderwoman Claudia Gazal Alderman Darrell Jefferson Alderperson Tina Oberlin Alderman Mark Cipiti Alderman Nate Albert Alderman Joe Kubal Mayor Raymond R. Soliman				
	Christine Vershay-Hall, City Clerk			
APPROVED THIS $2^{ND}$ DAY OF JUNE, 2025.				
Raymond R. Soliman, Mayor				
ATTEST:				
Christine Vershay-Hall, City Clerk				

## EXHIBIT A