

STATE OF ALABAMA  
COUNTY OF MADISON

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**AGREEMENT**

**THIS AGREEMENT IS MADE** between **KTECH** a workforce initiative of the **Kids to Love Foundation**, a non-profit organization (hereinafter “**KTECH**”) and the **CITY OF MADISON, ALABAMA**, a municipal corporation (hereinafter the “**City**”).

**WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS**, it is the objective of the parties to cooperatively work toward the betterment of the community at large; and

**WHEREAS**, KTECH will provide essential services to the City of Madison that serve a public purpose and which further the stated objectives of the parties.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, for and in consideration of the premises and mutual covenants and conditions hereinafter set out, the parties do hereby agree as follows:

1. This Agreement shall come into effect when the authorized representatives of each party finally execute and affix their respective signatures hereto in their duly authorized capacities. In the event the signatures are affixed on different dates, the date of the final signature shall be the date the Agreement comes into effect. This Agreement shall terminate at 11:59 p.m. on September 30, 2024.
2. During said term, it is hereby agreed that KTECH shall provide essential services to the City in accordance with Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated by reference as if fully set out herein, the City otherwise being capable of providing said services for itself.
3. The City agrees to pay to KTECH the sum of five thousand dollars and no cents (\$5,000.00) for fiscal year 2024, which began October 1, 2023, and ends September 30, 2024, for the services listed in Exhibit A. This sum shall be disbursed on a schedule of disbursement established by the Finance Director of the City of Madison.
4. KTECH pledges to act in good faith with respect to the execution of its responsibilities and duties herein undertaken. Further, KTECH agrees to and shall provide to the City, upon request, an accounting with respect to how any or all funds provided under this Agreement were expended by KTECH.

5. Under no circumstances and in no event shall the City be liable for any debt or obligations incurred by KTECH regardless of the purpose for which the debt or obligation was incurred. Additionally, the City shall not be deemed or construed to be a partner, joint venture, or agent of KTECH, nor shall KTECH at any time use the name or credit of the City in purchasing or attempting to purchase any vehicle, equipment, supplies, or other things whatsoever.
6. It is mutually understood and agreed and it is the stated intent of the parties that an independent contractor relationship be and hereby is established under the terms and conditions of this Agreement, KTECH being an independent contractor of the City and in no way deemed to be an agent of the City. It is further mutually understood and agreed that officers, employees, and any other agents of the City are not nor shall they be deemed to be officers, employees, or agents of KTECH and that officers, employees, and any other agents of KTECH are not nor shall they be deemed to be officers, employees, or agents of the City.
7. KTECH is wholly responsible for the execution of the duties conferred herein and shall not transfer or assign this Agreement or any of the rights or privileges granted therein.
8. KTECH hereby agrees to comply strictly with all ordinances of the City and laws of the State of Alabama and the United States while performing under terms of this Agreement.
9. Both parties agree that upon violation of any of the covenants or agreements herein contained on account of any act of omission or commission by either party, the City or KTECH may, as its option, terminate and cancel this Agreement with thirty (30) days written notice to the other party.
10. KTECH agrees that it will comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Civil Rights Act of 1991, and all other federal laws and regulations assuring that no person will be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination on the grounds of race, sex, color, national origin, or disability.
11. If at any time during the City of Madison's above-referenced fiscal year its revenues decrease below that amount projected by the City to sustain the operating budget of the City, this Agreement may be declared null and void and no liability shall accrue to any party hereto.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned have set their hands and seals on each day and year evidenced below.

**KTECH – KIDS TO LOVE FOUNDATION**

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Its:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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I, the undersigned Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that \_\_\_\_\_, whose name as \_\_\_\_\_ of the KTECH – Kids to Love Foundation is signed to the foregoing instrument, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the instrument, he/she, in his/her duly appointed capacity and with full authority, executed the same voluntarily for and as the act of said entity.

Given under my hand and official seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

**CITY OF MADISON, ALABAMA**

**ATTEST:**

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Paul Finley, Mayor**

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**Lisa Thomas, City Clerk**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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I, the undersigned Notary Public in and for said County, in said State, hereby certify that Paul Finley and Lisa Thomas, whose names as Mayor and City Clerk, respectively, of the City of Madison, Alabama, are signed to the foregoing instrument, and who are known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the instrument, they, as such officers and with full authority, executed the same voluntarily for and as the act of the City of Madison, Alabama, a municipal corporation.

Given under my hand and official seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

## **EXHIBIT A**

KTECH, a workforce initiative of the Kids to Love Foundation is a key player in providing innovative training to support Madison's growing industries. The Pandemic created an enormous hole in the job market. We have seen the need to educate and train differently to get people back to work. KTECH teaches Mechatronics, Robotics, Soldering and Virtual Reality. Since its inception in 2016, KTECH will award 426 certifications.

The Madison City School System boasts the most graduates in KTECH with a total of 20% out of all the north Alabama feeder schools.

KTECH has a strong partnership with Bob Jones High School Engineering Academy. In 2021, KTECH launched a 12-week/180-hour Virtual Reality Class designed to provide students with an immersive introduction to VR and the tools and techniques used to create virtual experiences. We have currently completed four classes in virtual reality.

Our VR Academy is inwardly focused on the introduction, exploration, and training in virtual reality development. And, we work with industry to develop job placement opportunities and apprenticeships. Current graduates are working with i3 as interns. The end goal of the process is to spur economic development, job creation and a sustainable enterprise for the city of Madison and the north Alabama region.

Mayor Paul Finley serves as a KTECH Ambassador and has been active in the development of the KTECH program. 50% of Madison residents are part of the KTECH Ambassadors.

The Madison Rotary Club supports KTECH through a scholarship for a graduate of Bob Jones or James Clements High School. This scholarship is awarded for the Fall KTECH Class each year.

Madison residents participate in teaching Life Lab for our KTECH Mechatronics students and our VR Students. Life Lab teaches the soft skills our industry partners have requested.

Strategically, we are positioning ourselves as a premiere, innovative, and adaptable organization for workforce training. KTECH Students are employed at 23 local companies. KTECH is changing the trajectory for our community long-term, as we empower, uplift and support the people in our Madison community

The KTECH administrative team is respectfully requesting funding support from the city of Madison in the amount of \$5,000.00 to support the VR Academy.