

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-104-R

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE MONROVIA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 11-43-141 of the *Code of Alabama* (1975), firefighters of any municipality may lawfully go or be sent beyond the corporate limits and police jurisdiction of such municipality to assist with meeting any emergency resulting from fire or other public disaster; and

WHEREAS, the firefighters of any municipality acting under ALA. CODE § 11-43-141 (1975), beyond the corporate limits and police jurisdiction of such municipality shall have all the immunities from liability and exemptions from laws, ordinances, and regulations. *See* ALA. CODE § 11-43-141 (1975); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 11-43-142 of the *Code of Alabama* (1975), a municipality may authorize its fire department to render aid in cases of fire occurring beyond their corporate limits and police jurisdiction, prescribe the conditions on which such aid may be rendered, and may enter into a contract or contracts with other municipalities, counties, or entities for rendering aid; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 9-3-17 of the *Code of Alabama* (1975), a volunteer fire department protects the health, safety, and welfare of the public by providing fire protection to the citizens in its area; and

WHEREAS, the Monrovia Volunteer Fire Department (the “VFD”) serves unincorporated areas south of Capshaw Road, east of Old Railroad Bed Road, and west of Hilliard Road; and

WHEREAS, the VFD requires assistance from the City of Madison, Alabama (the “City”) to respond to calls concerning structure fires; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the VFD for the provision of fire services within the VFD’s jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the proposed agreement formalizes procedures, responsibilities, and liability protections and establishes a framework for cooperation while preserving the autonomy and authority of each participating jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Madison, Alabama (the “City Council”), finds that the agreement serves the best interests of the citizens of the City and promotes the general welfare of the region.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Madison, Alabama, as follows:

Section 1. The Mayor is authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the City an agreement to be substantially similar in purpose, intent, and composition to the document attached hereto and identified as “Memorandum of Understanding” (the “Agreement”) and that the City Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized to appropriately attest the same.

Section 2. The Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer are hereby authorized and directed to execute, seal, attest, and deliver such other agreements, undertakings, documents, and certificates incidental or related to the Agreement and the actions contemplated within it, to publish a summary of this Resolution, and to take such other actions as shall be necessary and appropriate to carry out the transactions that this Resolution contemplates.

Section 3. This Resolution shall be effective upon its adoption and publication as provided by law.

Section 4. If any clause, phrase, sentence, paragraph, or provision of this Resolution shall be invalidated by a court of competent jurisdiction, it is the intent of the Council that such invalidation shall not affect the validity of any other clause, phrase, sentence, paragraph, or provision thereof.

READ, PASSED, AND ADOPTED at a regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council of the City of Madison, Alabama, on this ____ day of July, 2026.

Maura Wroblewski, City Council President
City of Madison, Alabama

ATTEST:

Lisa D. Thomas, City Clerk-Treasurer
City of Madison, Alabama

APPROVED this ____ day of July, 2026.

Ranae Bartlett, Mayor
City of Madison, Alabama