

BILL NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE CITY COUNCIL'S SUPPORT FOR PROVIDING CERTAIN RADIO ACCESS TO THE INDEPENDENCE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Area Regional Radio System (MARRS) is a consortium of 700 MHz and 800 MHz trunked radio systems in the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) region that comply with APCO Project 25 standards and with Inter Sub-system Switch Interoperability (ISSI) standards; and

WHEREAS, this consortium provides authorized radio users with the ability to seamlessly roam and have voice communications through each of the radio systems; and

WHEREAS, the MARRS Management Council meets quarterly to discuss policy guidance and provide oversight of the radio system to ensure that a high quality, reliable system is available to the metropolitan area; and,

WHEREAS, on November 29, 2023, the MARRS Management Council adopted a system subscriber access policy for non-public safety entities; and,

WHEREAS, this policy states, in part, that "Access to the Encrypted Regional talkgroups, and the System AES Encryption Key, is prohibited for non-Public Safety entities."; and,

WHEREAS, under this policy, the Independence School District is prohibited from accessing encrypted radio channels that are key to core functions of the District's Department of Public Safety;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: That the City Council the City Council desires to express their support for the Independence School District to access these encrypted channels and encourages the MARRS Management Council to reconsider its policy for non-Public Safety entities.

SECTION 2. That the City Manager is directed to send a copy of this resolution to the MARRS Management Council.

PASSED THIS \_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.

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Presiding Officer of the City Council  
of the City of Independence, Missouri

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

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City Counselor

REVIEWED BY:

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City Manager