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COUNCIL BILL NO. 2016 - 192 RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION

1 AUTHORIZING the City Manager, or his designee, to submit an America's Job
2 Driven Grant Application to the United States Department of Labor
3 to support the training of individuals to fill existing and projected job
4 openings within the healthcare industry; and declaring that this bill
5 qualifies for approval on one reading.
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8 WHEREAS, the United States Department of Labor (DOL) is making available
9 approximately \$100,000,000 in grant funds for America's Job Driven Grant program;
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12 WHEREAS, the City wishes to form a regional workforce partnership with the
13 Workforce Development Board, Ozarks Technical Community College (OTC), and other
14 employers and community partners to apply for America's Job Driven Grant funds to be
15 used to train workers to fill existing and projected job openings in the healthcare
16 industry.
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18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
19 SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI, as follows, that:
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21 Section 1 – The City Manager, or his designee, is hereby authorized to submit an
22 America's Job Driven Grant Application to the DOL for funding under the American
23 Competitiveness and Workforce Improvement Act of 1998, as amended, for the purpose
24 of supporting the training of individuals to fill existing and projected job openings within
25 the healthcare industry.
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27 Section 2 – The City Council hereby finds and declares that an emergency exists
28 in that this resolution relates to an application for a grant, and it relates to the pressing
29 need for public expenditure; therefore, this resolution shall be in full force and effect
30 from and after passage.
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33 Passed at meeting: _____
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Mayor

Attest: _____, City Clerk

Filed as Resolution: _____

Approved as to form: Rhonda Lewsader, Assistant City Attorney

Approved for Council action: [Signature], City Manager

EXPLANATION TO COUNCIL BILL NO: 2016- 192

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ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Workforce Development

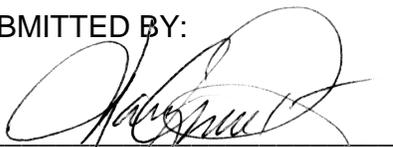
PURPOSE: To authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to submit an America's Job Driven Grant Application to the United States Department of Labor (DOL) to support the training of individuals to fill existing and projected job openings within the healthcare industry.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The DOL is making available approximately \$100,000,000 in grant funds authorized under the American Competitiveness and Workforce Improvement Act (ACWIA) of 1998, as amended, for America's Job Driven Grant program. Approximately 20 to 40 grants will be funded, with individual grants ranging from \$1 million to \$6 million. The program funds will be used to cover tuition and costs of training-related activities on a first-dollar basis to ensure training and education are free to individuals. Through a regional workforce partnership between the Workforce Development Board, the City's Department of Workforce Development, Ozarks Technical Community College, and employer and community partners, a pipeline of workers to fill existing and projected job openings in the healthcare industry will be created.

The application will propose to support training of 278 individuals in the Ozarks to enter the healthcare industry at various levels including Certified Nursing Assistant, Licensed Practical Nurse, and Registered Nurse. The Career Pathway will also support Behavioral Health Specialists, which are in high demand throughout Missouri. The application's total funding request is approximately \$3 million.

The City's Department of Workforce Development, on behalf of the Ozark Region Workforce Development Board, is the lead applicant on the grant; the sub-recipient will be Ozarks Technical Community College. The project will be managed by a project coordinator and two healthcare recruiters. Through an aggressive outreach plan, the project will reach underserved populations throughout the seven-county workforce delivery area and connect with area K-12 schools and various community partners. Ozarks Technical Community College will provide instruction, curriculum, and accreditation of the training. The Missouri Job Center, operated by the City, will leverage eligibility, enrollment, tuition, and outreach to potential candidates for the program. The recruiters will co-locate with area healthcare providers and assist with creating the talent pipeline of internal and external candidates. The healthcare industry is expected to add 2.3 million jobs by 2024, with projections of 16.4 percent growth in healthcare practitioners and technical occupations and 23 percent growth in support positions.

SUBMITTED BY:



Mary Ann Rojas, Director
Department of Workforce Development

APPROVED BY:



Greg Burris, City Manager