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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR THE 2023 DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELAND SECURITY STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND
EMERGENCY RESPONSE GRANT**

WHEREAS, the Winston-Salem Fire Department is requesting authorization to apply for a 2023 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant from the Department of Homeland Security in the amount of \$3,258,968; and,

WHEREAS, the funding will be used to reduce overtime costs incurred to maintain minimum Fire Department staffing levels.

WHEREAS, the goal of SAFER is to help fire departments improve staffing and deployment capabilities to better comply with national consensus response standards; and

WHEREAS, if the grant is awarded, at the end of the performance period, the City can assume the full costs of the employees, or reduce staffing through attrition, and additional out of pocket expenses will be budgeted for by the department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem, upon the recommendation of the Public Safety Committee, that the City Manager is hereby authorized to approve application for the SAFER Grant by the Winston-Salem Fire Department and to execute any pertinent documentation necessary to implement this process.