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**RESOLUTION AWARDING PURCHASE ORDER FOR
BALLISTIC PROTECTIVE VESTS AND HELMETS**

WHEREAS, the Winston-Salem Fire Department (WSFD) has the need to purchase 144 sets of ballistic protection vests and helmets and after extensive research and testing of several vests, the Level IIIA ballistic protective gear was selected by the department; and

WHEREAS, after receiving bids, the State of North Carolina awarded term contract NC680C to Point Blank Enterprises, Inc. for armor ballistic vests; and

WHEREAS, Read's Uniforms, Inc. was selected as the authorized distributor in the State of North Carolina for the Level IIIA Point Blank brand and has submitted quotation 33400-99 for the purchase of 144 vests and helmets at the cost of \$787 per set for total amount of \$113,328; and

WHEREAS, N.C.G.S 143-129(e)(9) provides that "The [bidding] requirements of this article do not apply to...Purchases from contracts established by the State or any agency of the State, if the contractor is willing to extend to a political subdivision of the State the same or more favorable prices, terms, or conditions as established in the State contract."; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that a purchase order be awarded to Read's Uniforms, Inc. for the purchase of 144 vests and helmets at the cost of \$787 per set for total amount of \$113,328 per quotation 33400-99

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winston-Salem that a purchase order for the purchase of 144 vests and helmets at the cost of \$787 per set for total amount of \$113,328 per quotation 33400-99 is hereby awarded to Read's Uniforms, Inc.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award of this purchase order constitutes a

preliminary determination as to the qualification of the bidder. The City is not legally bound to perform the purchase order until the order is duly executed by the City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds for this purchase are available through a grant in the amount of \$49,000 from the Piedmont Regional Trauma System and WSFD FY 2019-20 operating budget.