Introduced by: City Manager April Walton of the City of Berkeley, MO

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BERKELEY, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING THE BERKELEY POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MISSOURI BLUE SHIELD PROGRAM.

- WHEREAS, The Governor of the State of Missouri has established the Blue Shield Program, a statewide Initiative to recognize local governments that are committed to public safety in their community by Executive Order 25-03; and,
- WHEREAS, the Blue Shield Program is designed to recognize and support local government's efforts to enhance public safety, foster law enforcement support, and encourage community partnerships to public safety; and,
- WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley, Missouri is the supervising authority of Berkeley Police Department and Berkeley Police Department is a CALEA certified law enforcement department that serves and protects the Berkeley community and businesses in St. Louis County; and,
- WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley, Missouri and its Berkeley Police Department is desirous in participating in the Blue Shield Program in order to support and enhance its efforts and commitment to public safety to reduce violent crime int the jurisdictions of the Berkeley Police Department; and,
- WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley, Missouri has made extraordinary investments in public safety for over five years, has active community policing, and partnered with stakeholders to improve public safety has a police officer recruitment and retention program has proven track record of programming to reduce crime in its jurisdiction, participates in law enforcement task forces and willingness to participate in law enforcement task forces in the future, and City of Berkeley Police Department is in compliance with applicable state states concerning law enforcement including, sections 43.505, 43.544, 590.030, 590.650.3, 590.700 and 590.1265 RSMo.

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

- **SECTION 1.** The City Council for the City of Berkeley, Missouri concludes for its Berkeley Police Department to participate in the Blue Shield Programs and take the necessary steps to seek designation by the Director of Public Safety.
- **SECTION 2.** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage.

PASSED this day of 2025

Mayor Rita Crawford-Graham

ATTEST:

Deanna Jones, City Clerk

Final Roll Call:

Councilwoman Williams Councilman Hoskins Councilwoman Anthony Councilman Hindeleh Mayor Crawford-Graham

Aye _	Nay	Absent	_ Abstain
Aye _	Nay	Absent	_ Abstain
Aye_	Nay	Absent	_ Abstain
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Approved as to Form: Felica Ezell-Gillespie, City Attorney