

RESOLUTION No. 17-563

**A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF GENTRY, ARKANSAS, SUPPORTING
SIMMONS FOODS, INC. WITH RESPECT TO ITS PLANS FOR DEVELOPMENT
AND CONSTRUCTION OF A PREPARED FOODS FACILITY ALONG
ARKANSAS HIGHWAY 59 BETWEEN GENTRY AND DECATUR.**

WHEREAS, the City of Gentry, Arkansas recognizes the importance of growth and jobs for the well-being and sustenance of cities and towns; and,

WHEREAS, Simmons Foods, Inc. has announced plan for development and construction of a prepared foods facility near Gentry, along Arkansas Highway 59; and

WHEREAS, the proposed plant facility is anticipated to provide some 1500 jobs upon completion; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gentry would benefit from the creation of such jobs, all of which would have a positive impact on the City of Gentry.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF GENTRY, ARKANSAS:

Section 1. The City of Gentry hereby announces its formal support for the proposed Simmons Foods prepared foods facility.

Section 2. The City of Gentry encourages Benton County Planning, together with all other local or state agencies having oversight over any portion of the facility to work with Simmons Foods, Inc. toward approval and completion of such facility.

Passed and approved this 4th day of December, 2017.

Kevin Johnston, Mayor

Attest:

Tonya Carney, Director of Finance