

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-601**

**CITY OF GENTRY, ARKANSAS**

**A RESOLUTION PROHIBITING THE USE OF EXCESSIVE FORCE BY LAW ENFORCEMENT WITHIN GENTRY'S JURISDICTION AGAINST INDIVIDUALS ENGAGED IN NONVIOLENT CIVIL RIGHTS DEMONSTRATIONS.**

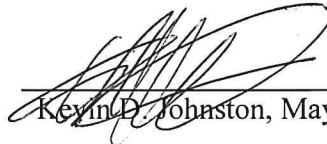
**WHEREAS**, the City of Gentry is applying for Arkansas Economic Development Commission funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the City must adopt a policy to comply with the relevant section of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as a condition of funding;

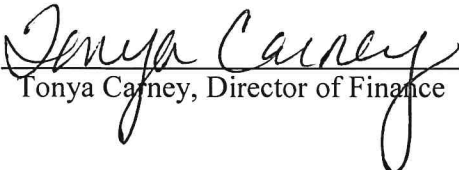
**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY OF GENTRY SHALL ENSURE AND ENFORCE THE FOLLOWING:**

1. Law enforcement agencies under the City's jurisdiction shall not use excessive force against any individual engaged in a nonviolent civil rights demonstration.
2. Law enforcement agencies under the City's jurisdiction shall not physically bar the entrance or exit of a facility or location which is the subject of a nonviolent civil rights demonstration.
3. The City's response to such nonviolent civil rights demonstrations shall endeavor to protect, to the extent reasonably possible, the rights of all nonviolent demonstration participants, persons located in the vicinity, and persons owning property in the vicinity.
4. If a nonviolent civil rights demonstration should occur, force shall only be permitted when deemed necessary to protect the rights of individuals or to uphold the law.

PASSED and APPROVED, this 7th day of October 2019.

  
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Kevin D. Johnston, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Tonya Carney, Director of Finance