

R-18-82

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING APRIL 23, 2018 AS
“ELECTRONICS RECYCLING WEEK” IN THE CITY OF
NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, electronic waste, or “e-waste,” is a term for electronic products that have become unwanted, non-working or obsolete and have essentially reached the end of their useful life; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 6,000 tons of electronic waste in Arkansas is annually recycled wherein this volume represents only 12% of all annually generated electronic waste; and

WHEREAS, electronic waste represents 2% of all trash deposited in landfills; and

WHEREAS, because technology advances at such a high rate, many electronic devices become “trash” after a few short years of use, and electronic waste is now considered the fastest growing jurisdictional waste stream, making up approximately 70% of the toxic waste put into landfills; and

WHEREAS, a majority of what is labeled “e-waste” is not waste at all, but can be recycled into new products; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Recycling & Waste Reduction District is responsible for initiating and managing a regional approach for all jurisdictions in Pulaski County to achieve system efficiencies for the reduction of landfill waste, and the recycling of consumer and business products, parts and packaging; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Recycling & Waste Reduction District offers to Pulaski County residents and businesses a one-week electronics collections event, allowing the safe and effective removal of electronic equipment and counter-top appliances from the waste stream.

WHEREAS, the City Council of North Little Rock wishes to designate the week of April 23, 2018 as “Electronics Recycling Week” and to designate the days of April 25, 2018 and April 26, 2018 as the official days for area residents and businesses to collect and drop off at the Verizon Arena all unused, unneeded, broken or obsolete electronics to be recycled for free.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That the week of April 23, 2018 is hereby designated as **“Electronics Recycling Week”** and on April 25, 2018 and April 26, 2018, all residents and businesses living and doing business in the City of North Little Rock (as well as the Cities of Little Rock, Sherwood, Maumelle, Jacksonville, Wrightsville, and the unincorporated areas of Pulaski County) may collect and drop-off at the Verizon Arena parking lot during the appointed hours, all unused, unneeded, broken or obsolete electronics to be recycled for free.

SECTION 2: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED:

APPROVED:

Mayor Joe A. Smith

SPONSOR:



Mayor Joe A. Smith

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Diane Whitbey, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Amy Beckman Fields, City Attorney

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/kh

FILED <u>11:20</u> A.M. _____ P.M.
By <u>4-17-18 A. Fields</u>
DATE <u>4-17-18</u>
Diane Whitbey, City Clerk and Collector North Little Rock, Arkansas
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