RESOLUTION NO. 1514

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROJECT KNOWN AS THE "TRAILS AT MENA"

WHEREAS, the Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism – Division of Arkansas State Parks and the City of Mena have worked together, along with other partners, in developing a vision for a trail-focused recreation development project spanning Arkansas State Parks, U.S. Forest Service, and City of Mena managed land; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mena has been working with various stakeholders interested in seeing this vision fulfilled; and

WHEREAS, this area is already a recreation destination of Forest Service Land that attracts visitors from across the country to enjoy the natural terrain of the Ouachita Mountains; and, when completed, such a vision will enhance the gravity-oriented trail opportunities; and provide numerous outdoor and recreational experiences; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mena considers the development of such a system to be an essential component of providing recreational growth for the region as well as economic and community development; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of Mena feels that it is in the best interest of its citizens to endorse and fully support the construction of such a system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MENA, ARKANASAS, THAT:

Section 1. The City of Mena fully supports and endorses the development of the Trails at Mena Project.

Section 2. The City of Mena authorizes the Mayor to use its name while supporting efforts for the development of the Trails at Mena Project.

Passed and approved this 9th day of July 2024.

SETH F. SMITH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

KAÇIE ROSE, CITY CLERK/TREASURER

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