

RESOLUTION No. 16-47

WHEREAS, the City Council and the Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama are apprised that Mr. Michael Lundy has vacated his position as Executive Director/CEO of the Huntsville Housing Authority. A farewell reception was held January 19, 2016, at Gateway Place; and,

WHEREAS, Michael Lundy has been the Executive Director/CEO of the Huntsville Housing Authority (HHA) for nearly twelve years. He has worked in the affordable housing industry for 36 years and served as Executive Director at housing agencies in Maryland and Pennsylvania before coming to Huntsville; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Lundy oversees the daily operations of 1,808 public housing apartments, 1,670 Section 8/Housing Choice Vouchers, and the ongoing real estate development efforts of the agency. Currently, the public housing and Section 8 programs combined provide affordable housing for nearly 8,000 people in the city. Thousands more are on agency waiting lists; and,

WHEREAS, under Mr. Lundy's leadership, HHA has been a "High Performer" Agency for ten consecutive years in the Public Housing program and nine consecutive years in the Section 8 Program. He believes having large clusters of public housing only broadens the socioeconomic disparity within our society. Based on substantiated evidence, he believes mixed-income affordable housing opportunities located throughout the community will create a healthier and more diverse society. So far, it is proving to work very well at Gateway Place, a senior state-of-the-art residential facility; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Lundy is a supporter of the scouting program, Boys & Girls Clubs, and various other supportive service agencies within the city. He maintains an ongoing partnership with the Huntsville Police Department in an effort to reduce the crime rate in public housing communities by utilizing a community policing strategy; and,

WHEREAS, Mr. Lundy's vision is to transition public housing residents to self-sufficiency through several different programs and initiatives. During Mr. Lundy's time in Huntsville, he has initiated and/or enhanced several program that support family self-sufficiency: Pre-Homeownership Program geared towards public housing residents for homeownership; The Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Homeownership Program is offered to all eligible Huntsville Housing Authority Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) participants; There have

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been approximately 50 low-income families who have moved on to homeownership from various public housing communities; He also administers other self-help initiatives that link low-income families to services, which lead to self-determination. Mr. Lundy is most proud of his efforts to provide affordable housing for a number of homeless families in the City; and,

WHEREAS, Michael Lundy will be vacating his position as Executive Director/CEO, Huntsville Housing Authority and assuming his new position as the Executive Director/CEO of the Housing Authority of the Birmingham District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, gratefully acknowledge, congratulate, and extend best wishes to Michael Lundy in recognition of his service as the Executive Director/CEO of the Huntsville Housing Authority. May you have continued success in all future endeavors.

ADOPTED this the 28th day of January, 2016.

President of the City Council of the
City of Huntsville, Alabama

APPROVED this the 28th day of January, 2016.

Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama