

**RESOLUTION #2024-12**

**A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILDWOOD, MISSOURI, AUTHORIZING A GRANT TO THE POND ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (PAA) OF \$5,000.00 FOR SERVICES TO WILDWOOD YOUTH.**

**WHEREAS**, since its incorporation, the City of Wildwood expressed in its original municipal *Plan of Intent*, adopted *Master Plan*, and approved *2007 Parks & Recreation Action Plan* the philosophy and policy of limited governmental bureaucracy by providing public services through means of contracts with private firms and other governmental entities, and also partnering with other community-based organizations as the most efficient and expedient means to address current and future residents' needs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pond Athletic Association (PAA) is a community-based, not-for-profit association providing athletic facilities and offering programs to Wildwood youth; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has partnered with the Pond Athletic Association (PAA) in its efforts to bring sports to local youth; and

**WHEREAS**, in previous years, ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) was provided to the Association, with the stipulation it be used principally for Wildwood residents participating in the training league programming; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Wildwood recognizes the significant contributions made by the Pond Athletic Association (PAA) to community youth by providing athletic facilities and programs that would not otherwise be available within Wildwood and cannot be provided by the City of Wildwood due to a lack of these types of public athletic facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, in recognition of these community contributions, the City of Wildwood desires to assist the Pond Athletic Association in its ongoing efforts to provide reductions in the cost of athletic programming and use of its facilities for area youth; and

**WHEREAS**, through sponsorship of the Association, the City will help to increase the public's awareness of its programs, encourage greater participation in subsequent years, and promote Wildwood's goal of increasing recreational programming within it; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Wildwood hereby determines that providing a specified amount of financial assistance and municipal support to the Pond Athletic Association (PAA) for selected public purposes in connection with its previous years of recreational programming served a valuable, appropriate public purpose by, among other things, enabling the organization to provide Wildwood youth the ability to participate on a reduced cost basis, by increasing the awareness of the association's programs, by drawing members of the public to the facilities, and by furthering the City's goal of increasing recreational programs within the City, all of which help to ensure that the organization's facilities will be available to Wildwood citizens in the years to come.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILDWOOD, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:**

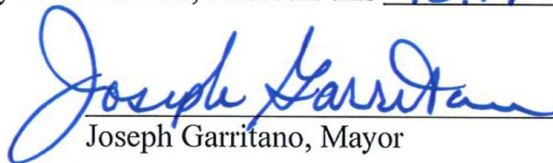
**Section One.** The City Council hereby authorizes the release of allocated funds to the Pond Athletic Association (PAA) for the defined purposes, as authorized by the City Council and/or staff, in amount not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), including, but not limited to, by providing access to the training league programs offered by the facility at a reduced rate.

**Section Two.** In return, the Pond Athletic Association has provided the use of its athletic fields and programming, at a reduced basis for Wildwood youth, during years past.

**Section Three.** The Association has provided the City access to its financial and athletic programming records to verify the use of funds and program participation by Wildwood youth.

**Section Four.** This Resolution shall be effective and in full force upon its passage and approval.

Passed and resolved by the Council of the City of Wildwood, Missouri this 15th day of July, 2024.

  
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Joseph Garritano, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk