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Moved by: _____

Prepared by: Rebecca Good

Seconded by: _____

Reviewed by: Craig E. Willis

RESOLUTION AWARDDING COUNTY FUNDS FROM THE FY 2016 OPERATING BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,500.00 TO JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT OF MEMPHIS AND THE MID-SOUTH, INC., A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION. SPONSORED BY COMMISSIONER WALTER BAILEY, JR. AND COMMISSIONER STEVE BASAR.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the Community Enhancement Program Resolution (Agenda Item No. 7) passed on July 6, 2015 (the "CEP Resolution"), the Shelby County Board of Commissioners created a Community Enhancement Program and established policies and guidelines for the appropriation and disbursement of County funds to governmental entities and non-profit civic and charitable organizations meeting certain criteria, as set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, Said CEP Resolution provides that all grant appropriations pursuant to the Community Enhancement Program shall promote the general welfare of the residents of Shelby County and shall only be available to support public safety activities, cultural activities, community development activities, as well as County and municipal infrastructure improvements within Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, Said Resolution provides that community enhancement grant proceeds must be used for one (1) or more of the following purposes: programs, services, operating costs, equipment, construction, renovation and maintenance projects within Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, Said Resolution provides that such grants shall be approved to specific entities by resolution of the County Board of Commissioners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE, That funds from the FY2016 Operating Budget are hereby allocated and awarded to Junior Achievement of Memphis and the Mid-South, Inc. in the amount of \$4,500.00 as a grant listed in Exhibit A hereto for the projects detailed in the attached plan of services for the grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That said grant proceeds must promote the general welfare of the residents of Shelby County and support public safety activities, cultural activities, community development activities, as well as County and municipal infrastructure improvements, and must be used for one (1) or more of the following purposes: programs, services, operating costs, equipment, construction, renovation and maintenance projects within Shelby County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer shall prepare and execute a grant contract with the specific entities designated herein within thirty (30) days of the grantee's compliance with the grant awarding conditions set forth in the CEP Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That payment of grant funds shall be made as provided by the CEP Resolution and the grant contract.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Mayor and the Director of Administration and Finance are hereby authorized to issue their warrant or warrants for all amounts appropriated herein, and to take proper credit in their accounting therefor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Resolution shall become effective in accordance with the Shelby County Charter, Article II, Section 2.06(B).

Mark H. Luttrell, Jr.
Shelby County Mayor

Date: _____

ATTEST:

Clerk of County Commission

ADOPTED: _____

Exhibit A
Community Enhancement Grants
FY 2016

Per Resolution (Agenda Item No. __) passed _____, 2016

Junior Achievement of Memphis and the Mid-South, Inc.

Grant Agency Junior Achievement of Memphis and the Mid-South, Inc.

Type of Grant Program

Grant Amount \$4,500.00

Sponsor(s) Commissioner Walter Bailey, Jr. (\$3,000.00)
Commissioner Steve Basar (\$1,500.00)

Purpose Junior Achievement's mission is to educate and inspire young people to value free enterprise, business, and economics to improve the quality of their lives. Their vision is to raise the next generation to a higher level of economic independence. Junior Achievement has a long history of educating the youth of our community. It was founded in Memphis in 1955 to ensure that children had a fundamental understanding of the free enterprise system. It has developed a portfolio of programs that address key issues facing our educational system, promote student achievement and meet the expectations of a range of constituencies that demand results. Youth are imparted with the basics of the free enterprise system and they are inspired to be entrepreneurial and financially literate. More than 30% of Memphis families have no banking relationship at all. It has been well-publicized that Shelby County has one of the highest personal bankruptcy rates in the nation. This has a negative impact on the community's economic growth. Funds are being requested from the County Commission Community Enhancement Grant Program to allow four (4) inner-city Shelby County Schools the opportunity to participate in the JA BizTown program for the upcoming school year. Among students who have participated in Junior Achievement, 82% felt more confident in their ability to interview successfully for a job;

80% say Junior Achievement programs are fun; 59% say Junior Achievement helps them better understand or excel in other subjects, such as math or English. Students who participate in Junior Achievement are more likely to attend college right after high school, volunteer for unpaid community service projects, and participate in entrepreneurial activities.