AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE CONWAY TREE BOARD TO PAY FOR OPERATING EXPENSES; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES;

WHEREAS, trees in our city increase property value, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Conway Tree Board has the primary responsibility for effectively managing public trees, for educating City residents regarding the criticality our urban tree canopy, and for drafting innovative and progressive policy which aims to further enhance Conway's urban tree canopy; and

WHEREAS, the holiday of Arbor Day, recognized by official proclamation, is one of critical importance to the education of the general public to the beneficial role our urban forest plays within our community; and

WHEREAS, the funding for this has been previously appropriated by Council action;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS THAT:

SECTION 1. The City of Conway shall appropriate $7,000 from the (01.990) General Fund Appropriation Account (01.990) to the (01.108.739) Tree Board Account.

SECTION 2. All ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed to the extent of the conflict.

Section 3. This ordinance is necessary for the protection of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED this 22nd day of September, 2009.

APPROVED:

[Signature]
Mayor Tab Townsell

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Michael O. Garrett
City Clerk/Treasurer