WHEREAS the Eldridge-Harrington United States Army Reserve Center in Conway, Arkansas is constricted by the growth of the University of Central Arkansas (UCA) campus, the new Arkansas Educational Television Network facility and the Don W. Reynolds Center for Performing Arts and is thereby in need of a new location and facility, and

WHEREAS the 3.4 acres on which the existing Army Reserve Center sits is adjacent to a major city road that has been tremendously impacted by the growth of the population of both the City of Conway and UCA, restricting space for the Reserve's exercises, and

WHEREAS the Conway Development Corporation has agreed to assist with up to 10 acres of land in Conway's industrial park, the site of which has been approved by the Army Reserve, and

WHEREAS $3.7 million has been requested by the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate through the efforts of Congressman Vic Snyder and U.S. Senators Tim Hutchinson and Blanche Lincoln, for which the city is grateful, and

WHEREAS, to be included in the final bill passed out of committee to President Bush for approval, the appropriation must be agreed upon by both the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate,

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

That the City Council of Conway, Arkansas, hereby beseeches Senators Tim Hutchinson and Blanche Lincoln as well as Congressman Vic Snyder to support the inclusion of funds for the new Army Reserve Center in Conway, Arkansas in the final military appropriation legislation for fiscal year 2002 and strive to effect this much needed result.

PASSED this ___ day of ___, 2001.

APPROVED:

Tab Townsell, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michael O. Garrett, City Clerk