## R-03-02

## A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE SOFTBALL FIELD AT LAKE BEAVERFORK AS PRIMARILY A YOUTH BASEBALL FIELD AND FOR ALLOWING THE CONVERSION OF THE FIELD FROM SOFTBALL TO BASEBALL AS FUNDS BECOME AVAILABLE.

Whereas, baseball has remained a popular sport for youth in Conway and participation in competitive, independent youth baseball is growing along with the city's youthful population, and

Whereas, the recreational baseball has facilities dedicated to that program, and Curtis Walker Park baseball field provides for the field needs of the older youth and adult competitive baseball teams, and

Whereas, younger competitive youth teams have no place where they can play or practice that fits the dimensions of the fields they require, and

Whereas, if such fields were available, teams and tournaments could be attracted to Conway for competitions to the economic benefit of the city, and

Whereas, participation in the adult softball league has dropped considerably from a peak in the mid 1990's with over one hundred teams to field less than eighty-five teams for the last three years, and

Whereas, the Lake Beaverfork field is primarily designated for the use of the adult softball leagues and the demand for that field is not as great due to smaller leagues.

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

The Lake Beaverfork softball field be designated as **a** primarily youth baseball field and the field maybe converted from a softball field to a baseball field as funds become available.

PASSED This 28th Day of January 2003

Mayor Tab Townsell

Michael O. Garrett. City Clerk