A RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH LEBANON FIRE DISTRICT AND TANGENT RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT; RECLASSIFY ONE EMT POSITION TO A PARAMEDIC POSITION; AND ADD UP TO FOUR PART-TIME EMT OR PARAMEDIC POSITIONS FOR AN ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT MEDIC UNIT TO RESPOND TO MEDICAL EMERGENCIES WITHIN ALBANY AND LEBANON AMBULANCE SERVICE AREAS.

WHEREAS, the Fire Department was approved in its FY 2015-16 budget to add two EMT positions for the purpose of establishing a daytime medic unit for basic life support (BLS) medical calls within Albany's ambulance service area; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department has determined that in cooperation with the Lebanon Fire District and Tangent Rural Fire Protection District, the agencies can provide an advanced life support (ALS) medic unit that will provide a higher level of medical care, be available more days per week, and be staffed more consistently for response within Albany's ambulance service area; and

WHEREAS, Lebanon Fire District and Tangent Rural Fire Protection District also recognize the advantages to their departments and upon approval of their respective Boards support the concept of a shared ALS medic unit: and

WHEREAS, in order to increase the level of care from BLS to ALS as originally approved in the FY 2015-16 budget process, the Fire Department would need to reclassify one EMT position to a Paramedic position; and

WHEREAS, in order to maintain more consistent staffing on the shared medic unit, the Fire Department has identified the need to have a pool for qualified, trained EMT and/or Paramedics on call to cover for vacancies on the shared ALS medic unit

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Albany City Council authorizes the Fire Chief to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Lebanon Fire District and Tangent Rural Fire Protection District for the purpose of a shared ALS medic unit to respond to emergency medical calls within Albany and Lebanon ambulance service areas; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Albany City Council approves the reclassification of one EMT position to a Paramedic position and the addition of up to four part-time EMT or Paramedic positions to provide for staffing of the shared ALS medic unit.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 13TH DAY OF JANUARY 2016.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary s. abble

City Clerk