ORDINANCE NO. 2024-025

AN ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE HOMEOWNERS OF TUCKERMAN, ARKANSAS, TO HAVE A SHUT-OFF VALVE INSTALLED ON THEIR SIDE OF THE WATER SERVICE METER IN THE CORPORATE CITY LIMITS OF TUCKERMAN, ARKANSAS PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Whereas the City of Tuckerman, Arkansas's Water and Sewer Department provides water to the residents of Tuckerman, Arkansas, and

Whereas it has been determined to be necessary for a shut-off valve to be placed on the homeowner's side of the water service meter for the purpose of emergency situations and

Whereas the employees of Tuckerman Water and Sewer do not always have the time or resources to shut the water off to a house in the event of a homeowner's emergency or plumbing needs and

Whereas a valve on the homeowner's side of the water service meter would provide the homeowner or tenant the ability to shut the water supply off if needed in the event of an emergency and

Whereas a valve on the homeowner's side of the water service meter would prevent the valve on the city's side of the meter from being damaged by the customer in the event of a water emergency

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

SECTION 1: Any new home or business constructed within the corporate city limits of Tuckerman, Arkansas, shall be required to place an emergency shut-off valve on their side of the water service meter to shut the water supply off in case of emergency. The valve should be placed at their expense.

SECTION 2: When a water service meter is disconnected, repaired, or replaced, a shut-off valve will be required on the homeowner's side of the meter, at the homeowner's expense, before service can be reconnected and restored to that resident's home.

SECTION 3: This Ordinance shall not apply to residents who already have established connections and shall apply only to those who fall into the categories listed above in sections 1 and 2 of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4: The provisions of this Ordinance are servable, and if any section, phrase, or provision shall be declared unlawful or invalid, such finding shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5: This Ordinance is deemed necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Tuckerman, Arkansas, and an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS ______DAY OF AUGUST, 2024.

ATTEST:

VICKIE ADAMS, CITY CLERK

APPROVED:

MAYOR ZACK GRAHAM

SEAL