

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOUISA
RESOLUTION**

At a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Louisa held in the Louisa County Public Meeting Room at 5:00 PM on the 16th day of June 2025, at which the following members were present, the following resolution was adopted by a majority of all members of the Board of Supervisors, the vote being recorded in the minutes of the meeting as shown below:

RESULT:

MOVER: None

SECONDER: None

AYES: None

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF FIRE & EMS TO APPLY
FOR A STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (SAFER)
GRANT**

WHEREAS; the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant program provides assistance to departments to ensure adequate staffing for safe and effective response; and

WHEREAS; the grant application period is open from May 23 through July 3, 2025, and approval by the governing body is required prior to application for a SAFER grant; and

WHEREAS; the health and safety of departmental staff and the County's growing response requirements are critically important, and nine (9) additional career staff are needed to assist with ensuring safe and adequate response and to reduce response times in the face of growing demand in several areas of the County, and the added staff would also allow for additional ambulance and fire crews as the demand for services dictate; and

WHEREAS; the annual cost for the additional staff is approximately \$1,007,277, plus a one-time cost in year one for uniforms of \$54,000 and if awarded, the grant will provide 75% of all usual employee costs for the first two years and 35% of those costs for the third year of the three-year grant period, following which those costs are the responsibility of the governing body.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on this 16th day of June 2025, that the Louisa County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the submission of an application for Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant funding for the hiring of nine additional staff in the Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services.

A Copy, teste:

Christian R. Goodwin, Clerk
Board of Supervisors
Louisa County, Virginia