RESOLUTION NO. <u>3631</u>

A RESOLUTION APPROVING ACCEPTANCE BY THE FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION OF THE ALBANY FIRE DEPARTMENT OF A COMMUNITY ACTION FIRE SAFETY EDUCATION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,500 THROUGH THE OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL.

WHEREAS, during fiscal year 1995/96 the city of Albany is experiencing a significant number of residential fires; and

WHEREAS, as a result of these fires the city of Albany has experienced a property loss of \$604,214; and

WHEREAS, there exists a tremendous potential loss of life as a result of these fires; and

WHEREAS, the greatest percentage of these fires occurred in neighborhoods with a high percentage of lowincome families and elderly citizens; and

WHEREAS, the grant monies will be used to develop fire and life safety oriented activities within the targeted neighborhoods. These activities will consist of education programs that address the use of cigarettes, housekeeping, heating appliances, and proper use of matches and lighters. The key message will be that you can have an impact on your own lives and neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the goal of this community-oriented fire and life safety program is to begin to create a bridge between low-income neighborhoods and the Fire Department. By creating neighborhood partnerships we will be establishing a forum through which we will be influencing firesafe behavior and reducing the number of fires.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Albany City Council hereby authorize the Fire Prevention Division of the Albany Fire Department to accept a Community Action Fire Safety Education Grant through the Office of the State Fire Marshal in the amount of \$1,500.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following appropriations be made for fiscal year 1995/96.

Fire Department

Grant Proceeds Materials and Supplies 05-127-45030 05-127-66505

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DATED THIS 24TH DAY OF APRIL 1996.

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TO: Albany City Council

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VIA: Steve Bryant, City Manager Darrel W. Tedisch, Fire Chief

FROM: Public Safety Committee, Darrell Goodall, Chair

DATE: April 12, 1996, for the April 24, 1996, City Council Meeting

SUBJECT: Community Action Fire Safety Education Grant through the Office of State Fire Marshal

Action Requested:

Request approval of a resolution authorizing the Fire Prevention Division of the Fire Department to accept a Community Action Fire Safety Education Grant through the Office of State Fire Marshal in the amount of \$1,500.

Discussion:

The grant monies would be used to develop and implement a program to work with low-income families in target neighborhoods in an effort to eliminate fires. Our fire data has identified several neighborhoods within the city of Albany that are experiencing a significantly greater number of fires.

This grant does not require any matching funds from the City of Albany. We have received other funding sources from Albany Hardware and the Albany Rotary Group that will be used to augment the grant monies.

Budget Impact:

None.