A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR FUNDS NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000 THROUGH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT TO PURCHASE A NEW BRUSH/ATTACK FIREFIGHTING VEHICLE.

WHEREAS, the Fire Department currently has two brush/attack firefighting vehicles; and

WHEREAS, one is a 1990 Ford F350 which is nearing its 20-year life expectancy as an emergency response vehicle and requiring increased maintenance costs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Albany Equipment Replacement Fund is not a viable option at this time for the full cost of replacing the 1990 Ford F350; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security is providing funds through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant program for firefighting equipment acquisition, which encompasses emergency response vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the application period for this grant ends May 20, 2009.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Albany City Council authorizes the Fire Department to apply for up to \$100,000 from the Assistance to Firefighters Grant through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to purchase a new brush/attack firefighting vehicle.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 13TH DAY OF MAY, 2009.

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Mayor