

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-085

**JOINT RESOLUTION TO REDUCE HOMELESSNESS
IN RAPID CITY AND PENNINGTON COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the City of Rapid City and Pennington County recognize both the difficulties faced by individuals who are homeless in our community and the challenge to the community on how to address the needs of the homeless population; and

WHEREAS, both the City of Rapid City and Pennington County have observed significant increases in homelessness in the community over the past several years that have put a substantial strain on existing governmental and private service providers; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rapid City and Pennington County recognize that a multitude of involuntary challenges and voluntary actions can lead to individuals becoming or remaining homeless; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rapid City and Pennington County spend considerable taxpayer dollars to work with homeless individuals and to address the effects of homelessness in our community; and

WHEREAS, it is the intention and goal of the City of Rapid City and Pennington County to reduce homelessness in our community and to support private efforts that are aimed at reducing homelessness.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Rapid City and Pennington County are committed to the goal of reducing homelessness in our community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Rapid City and Pennington County intend to initiate a dialogue with community stakeholders in order to generate community direction and effort toward the goal of reducing homelessness.

Dated this ____ day of _____, 2023.

CITY OF RAPID CITY

Jason Salamun, Mayor

ATTEST:

Daniel Ainslie, Finance Director
(SEAL)

Dated this ____ day of _____, 2023.

PENNINGTON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Lloyd LaCroix, Chair

ATTEST:

Pennington County Auditor
(SEAL)