## RESOLUTION

## **Schools of Innovation Program**

Ark. Code Ann. §§ 6-15-2801 et seq.

Whereas the Fort Smith School District Board of Directors met in a regular, open, and properly-called board meeting on April 27, 2020, in a virtual setting in compliance with COVID-19 CDC guidelines. Whereas \_\_\_\_\_ members were present, a quorum was declared by the chair.

Whereas a representative of the Council of Innovation presented a Plan of Innovation. Whereas, the Plan of Innovation is summarized as follows:

Darby Junior High will host a Health Science Academy to offer students an opportunity to learn through a health science lens. The Academy will consist of a 50 student cohort in grades 6, 7, and 8. Students will be immersed in relevant, high interest, rigorous learning. Students will also be partnering with the community's health organizations in joint service projects to support learning, service, and community health.

Whereas the Board of Directors had an opportunity to review the Plan, including the Statement of Assurances signed by the Superintendent, and to ask any questions.

Whereas the Board of Directors received a recommendation to adopt a resolution to approve the Plan of Innovation, and to approve submission of the Plan to the Commissioner of Education for designation as a School of Innovation, in accordance with Ark. Code Ann. §§ 6-15-2803(a).

Whereas the Board, after serious consideration, moved to approve the Plan of Innovation: Therefore, due to the specific reasons cited above, it is hereby declared to be the intent of the Fort Smith School District Board of Directors to approve the Plan of Innovation.

Dr. Doug Brubaker, Superintendent	Date	
Mr. Bill Hanesworth, Board President	Date	