RESOLUTION NO. 34-2006

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, SUPPORTING AND ACKNOWLEDGING THE CITY OF MESQUITE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S GRANT APPLICATION FOR FUNDING ASSISTANCE OF FOUR FIREFIGHTER POSITIONS THROUGH THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY'S STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE ("SAFER") GRANT PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the City of Mesquite Fire Department is eligible to make application for the U. S. Department of Homeland Security's Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response ("SAFER") Grant program; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief has briefed the City Council on the SAFER Grant program and its requirements for commitment to maintain both the positions and the funding for SAFER Grant supported firefighter positions for a minimum of five years; and

WHEREAS, the addition of four firefighter positions will significantly increase the percentage of first-arriving engines staffed in compliance with the National Fire Protection Association ("NFPA") 1710 standards.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the City of Mesquite (the "City") strongly supports the goal of attaining full NFPA 1710 staffing guidelines.

SECTION 2. That the City commits to maintain any firefighter positions created with the assistance of the 2006 SAFER Grant program.

DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 19th day of June, 2006.

Mike Anderson

Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Judy Womack City Secretary

City Attorney