

RESOLUTION NO. 5585

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR FUNDS NOT TO EXCEED \$175,000 THROUGH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING STRUCTURAL FIREFIGHTING PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND ASSOCIATED SUPPLIES.

WHEREAS, providing required structural firefighting personal protective equipment is necessary in order to maintain a safe and responsive emergency service agency; and

WHEREAS, the National Fire Protection Association establishes standards for structural firefighting personal protection equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department's current inventory of structural firefighting personal protective equipment does not meet National Fire Protection Association standards; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security is providing \$560 million through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant program for fire departments nationwide; and

WHEREAS, a program for operations and firefighter safety is in the Assistance to Firefighters Grant, and identifies structural firefighting personal protective equipment; and

WHEREAS, the application period for this grant ends April 4, 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Albany City Council authorizes the Fire Department to apply for up to \$175,000 from the Assistance to Firefighters Grant through the U.S. Department of Homeland Security for the purpose of purchasing structural firefighting personal protective equipment and associated supplies.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 26TH DAY OF MARCH, 2008.


Council President

ATTEST:


City Clerk