### CITY OF LEXINGTON COUNTY OF ANOKA STATE OF MINNESOTA

#### **RESOLUTION #18-33**

# A RESOLUTION OPTING TO INCREASE THE BENEFIT LEVEL FOR FIREFIGHTERS WHO ARE VESTED IN THE VOLUNTARY STATEWIDE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER (SVF) RETIREMENT PLAN

### The City Council of the City of Lexington, Minnesota, does ordain:

WHEREAS: The City previously authorized the fire department to join the Voluntary Statewide Volunteer Firefighter Retirement Plan administered by the Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA); and

**WHEREAS**: The City requested and obtained a cost analysis of increasing the benefit level for firefighters who are vested in the Voluntary Statewide Volunteer Firefighter Retirement Plan from PERA not more than 120 days ago; and

**WHEREAS**: The City understands that Minnesota statute allows an increase in benefit levels if the plan is fully funded, but does not have provisions for a decrease in benefit levels; and

WHEREAS: The City highly values the contributions of City Fire Department members to the safety and well being of our community and wishes to safeguard their pension investments in a prudent manner.

## NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEXINGTON, MINNESOTA:

- 1) The City hereby approves an increase in the benefit level for firefighters who have completed at least 5 years of good time service credit as a member of the Voluntary Statewide Volunteer Firefighter Retirement Plan administered by PERA at the \$4,000 benefit level per year of service, effective January 1, 2019; and
- 2) The City Administrator and Mayor are hereby authorized to execute all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this resolution.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was proposed by Councilmember and was duly seconded by Councilmember and upon vote being
taken thereon,
The following voted in favor:
And the following voted against the same:
PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED this 6th day of December 2018 by the City Council of the City of Lexington.
John Hughes, Vice Mayor
Attest:
Bill Petracek, City Administrator