

RESOLUTION R-06-26

**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR
MAWA REALLOCATION REQUEST**

WHEREAS, the Mid-Arkansas Water Alliance is an unprecedented cooperative effort of twenty-seven water utilities in eight mid-Arkansas counties that together serve over 750,000 citizens with drinking water, and

WHEREAS, the City of Conway, Arkansas is in the area to be served by the Mid-Arkansas Water Alliance, and

WHEREAS, one of the first mandates of local government is to provide a safe and adequate supply of drinking water to ensure the public health, and

WHEREAS, the continued growth and prosperity of our community is dependent upon an adequate and dependable source of quality drinking water, and

WHEREAS, several competent engineering studies have recommended that the mid-Arkansas regions use water from Lakes Ouachita and Greers Ferry for future water supply needs, and

WHEREAS, the Mid-Arkansas Water Alliance has requested a 20 million gallon per day reallocation from Lake Ouachita and a 15 million gallon per day reallocation from Greers Ferry Lake in order to meet the future water needs of the region, and

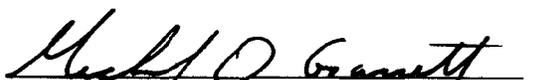
WHEREAS, the Draft Environmental Assessment conducted by the Corps of Engineers indicates no negative environmental impact on either lake of this reallocation request,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Conway, Arkansas strongly supports the reallocation request of the Mid-Arkansas Water Alliance and by this resolution makes that support known to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Arkansas Congressional delegation.

Adopted this 8th day of August, 2006.



Tab Townsell, Mayor



Michael O. Garrett, City Clerk/Treasurer