RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF
LITTLETON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
AND
HIGHLANDS RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

ADVOCATING VOTER APPROVAL OF SOUTH METRO FIRE RESCUE FIRE
PROTECTION DISTRICT’S INCLUSION OF THE AREA WITHIN THE HIGHLANDS
RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT AND LITTLETON FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT DURING THE MAY 8, 2018 ELECTION

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2018, the Board of Directors of the South Metro Fire Rescue
Fire Protection District (“South Metro”) adopted a Resolution directing that during an election on
May 8, 2018, South Metro shall ask the Fire District and Metropolitan District’s voters if all of the
area within the Districts shall be included into South Metro’s jurisdiction, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the South Metro Denver Chamber of Commerce, a
non-governmental entity, has determined it is important to the health, safety, and welfare of the
citizens within its impact area that providing life-saving Emergency Services is an essential
governmental service, and that the Board adopt this Resolution urging all eligible voters to approve
South Metro’s request to include all of the area within the Fire and Metropolitan Districts into
South Metro’s jurisdiction during the Inclusion Election, and

WHEREAS, there are clear and intrinsic benefits to unification, including improved
service opportunities, to wit, improved response times, addition of a new fire station, training and
prevention/education services, and the collective communities would have a role in the
governance and policy decisions of South Metro Fire Rescue’s operations; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Ranch Metropolitan District and Littleton Fire Protection
District have been responsible stewards of taxpayer funds, and a definite factor is the desire of
the Boards of each District to ensure that costs funded by their taxpayers produce a safe and
effective level of fire and rescue response to their residents; and

WHEREAS, unification is anticipated to be the most financially prudent method of
providing fire and EMS services within the Highlands Ranch Metropolitan and Littleton Fire
Protection Districts; and that without unification it is anticipated that in the long run emergency
services will decrease unless much higher taxes are paid to fund fire and EMS services;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Highlands Ranch Metropolitan and the
Littleton Fire Protection Districts have chosen to support the May 2018 Special District Election
Ballot proposal to unify with South Metro Fire Rescue; and

WHEREAS, we, the duly elected members of the South Metro Denver Chamber of
Commerce fully understand the need for essential services, financial certainty and stability in the
management of a government entity; and
WHEREAS, we believe it to be in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Districts and our community in general to support this ballot proposal, and hereby urge our citizens to cast an affirmative YES vote on the inclusion question in the May 8, 2018 election, and

NOW THEREFORE, we, the undersigned members of the Board of Directors of the South Metro Denver Chamber of Commerce, as authorized by our bylaws and our members, do affirmatively support the ballot question, and further demonstrate our support by approving this Resolution, and disseminating our affirmative action and support to our members, residents and constituents.

Done in open session, this 30 day of JANUARY, 2018, at Centennial, Colorado.

(Signed),

Attested,

ROBERT GOLDBERG, CEO
SOUTH METRO DENVER CHAMBER