A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN,
OKLAHOMA AUTHORIZING THE REMOVAL OF A PEDESTRIAN
WALKWAY AND BRIDGE AT NORMAN NORTH HIGH SCHOOL
ON THE EAST BOUNDARY LINE .

§ 1.   WHEREAS, in November 1979 an easement was granted to the City for the purpose of constructing and maintaining a sidewalk/bikeway to provide public access to Longfellow Middle School from Crystal Heights Eighth Addition to the east; and

§ 2.   WHEREAS, the Private Developer of Crystal Heights Eighth Addition erected sidewalks and a pedestrian bridge across the drainage channel abutting the Norman Public School east boundary line; and

§ 3.   WHEREAS, in 1989 the City of Norman totally regraded the drainage channel and rebuilt the pedestrian bridge; and

§ 4.   WHEREAS, after extensive renovation in 1997, Longfellow Middle School, grades sixth through eighth, was designated as Norman North High School, grades nine through twelve, changing the demographics of the student population; and

§ 5.   WHEREAS, since Norman North High School opened in 1997, there has been ongoing juvenile and criminal behavior with students and others using the pedestrian easement and bridge, before school and during lunch, which is disruptive to the public school environment and the public safety of the residential community; and

§ 6.   WHERAS, the Norman Police Department have responded to numerous calls for service in the area and the Norman Public Schools have placed personnel before school and during lunch at the gate, locked the gate and ultimately removed and replaced the gate with a fence, all which has not alleviated the concerns.

§ 7.   WHEREAS, the Norman Public Schools desires to remove the pedestrian walkway and bridge on the east boundary line of Norman North High School; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN,
OKLAHOMA, AS FOLLOWS:

§ 8.   The removal of the pedestrian walkway and bridge at Norman North High School is hereby authorized.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2016.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk