

RESOLUTION NO: 1025-2009

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING

INFRASTRUCTURE DEFENSE TECHNOLOGIES, LLC

WHEREAS, the men and women of the United State's Armed Forces, whose safety is threatened daily by the dangers of conflict and aggression, are in need of the equipment and materials that protect their lives; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of our nation to provide to them the means to protect and defend themselves from harm; and

WHEREAS, Infrastructure Defense Technologies (IDT) of Belvidere, Illinois manufactures critical force protection equipment designed to protect deployed troops against the most likely and deadly threats from enemy forces – threats such as bullets, Rocket Propelled Grenades, Improvised Explosive Devices and truck bombs; and

WHEREAS, the Defense Logistics Agency ("DLA") recently conducted a competitive solicitation for protective barriers, after spending many years and billions of dollars purchasing a single product manufactured by a FOREIGN ENTITIY ON A SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the competitive solicitation was to develop alternatives to the sole-sourced product, find products which last longer and meet weapons threats specifically seen in Iraq and Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, the solicitation stated that technical factors were "significantly more important than cost or price"; and

WHEREAS, IDT's product received the best technical rating, both overall and in terms of protection requirements, and its price was determined by DLA to be "fair and reasonable; and

WHEREAS, a successful award of this contract to IDT would create hundreds of new jobs in a region where the unemployment rate exceeds 15% and would create or save hundreds of jobs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BELVIDERE, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

That the Corporate Authorities hereby support Infrastructure Defense Technologies of Belvidere, Illinois and its efforts to obtain a \$100 million contract with the Department of Defense to provide protective barrier materials that will defend and protect the men and women of our nation's Armed Forces.

Passed by the City Council of Belvidere, Illinois this 21st day of September 2009.

APPROVED:



Mayor

Attest:
City Clerk

