

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-013**

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING A GRANT AWARD FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY PURSUANT TO THE EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM UNDER THE CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE AND RELIEF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2021, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,045,831.60, TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE WITH MORTGAGE AND UTILITY PAYMENTS TO ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH WHO HAVE BEEN FINANCIALLY IMPACTED BY THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (“COVID-19”); FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY CLERK, AS ATTESTING WITNESS, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, TO EXECUTE A FUNDING AGREEMENT IN A FORM ACCEPTABLE TO THE CITY ATTORNEY; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE ON BEHALF OF THE CITY TO EXECUTE ALL OTHER NECESSARY DOCUMENTS IN FURTHERANCE THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, the Coronavirus (COVID-19) emergency has caused disruption in Florida’s economy, leading to high rates of unemployment and business closures; and

**WHEREAS**, many residents of the City of Hialeah are in need of assistance with mortgage and utility payments; and

**WHEREAS**, United States H.R. 133, the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021, provides for local governments with populations above 200,000 residents to be eligible to receive direct payments from the United States Treasury Department for rental assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Hialeah, Florida Resolution No. 2021-003 (January 12, 2021), the City Council directed the Mayor or designee to apply for this grant by submitting an application to the United States Department of Treasury; and

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**WHEREAS**, on January 29, 2021, the United States Department of Treasury notified the City of the grant award in the amount of \$7,045,831.60; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hialeah finds it in the best interest of the community to accept the Coronavirus Relief Funds pursuant to the Emergency Rental Assistance Program under the Coronavirus Response And Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021, to assist the residents of the City who have suffered loss of income and financial hardship due to this unprecedented health crisis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, THAT:

**Section 1:** The foregoing facts and recitations contained in the preamble to this resolution are hereby incorporated and adopted by reference as it fully set forth herein.

**Section 2:** The Mayor and City Council of the City of Hialeah, Florida hereby accept a Grant award from the United States Department of Treasury pursuant to the Emergency Rental Assistance Program under the Coronavirus Response And Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021, in the amount of \$7,045,831.60, to provide assistance with mortgage and utility payments to eligible residents of the City of Hialeah who have been financially impacted by the novel Coronavirus (“COVID-19”).

**Section 3:** The Mayor and City Council of the City of Hialeah, Florida hereby authorizes the Mayor and the City Clerk, as attesting witness, on behalf of the City, to execute a Funding Agreement in a form acceptable to the City Attorney, and further authorizes the Mayor or his designee to execute all necessary documents in furtherance hereof. All actions to date by officers of the City in furtherance and performance of this program are hereby approved, confirmed, and ratified.

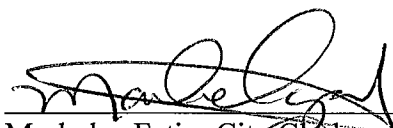
**Section 4:** This resolution shall become effective when passed by the City Council and signed by the Mayor or at the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting, if the Mayor's signature is withheld or if the City Council overrides the Mayor's veto.


PASSED AND ADOPTED this 16 day of February, 2021.

  
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Jesus Tundidor  
Council President

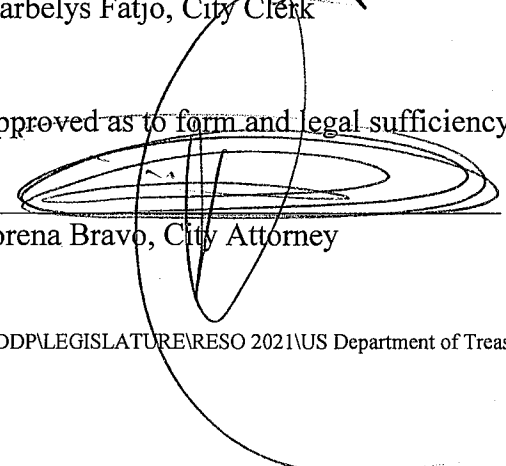
Attest:

Approved on this 23 day of February, 2021.

  
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Marbelys Fatjo, City Clerk

  
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Mayor Carlos Hernandez

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

  
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Lorena Bravo, City Attorney

Resolution was adopted by 6-0-1 vote with Councilmembers, De la Rosa, Garcia-Roves, Hernandez, Perez, Tundidor, and Zogby voting "Yes" and with Council Member Cue-Fuente recording her vote as "Yes" via Zoom after the motion to approve passed.