

**RESOLUTION 43-20
THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A COUNTY AGREEMENT TO RECEIVE AN ALLOTMENT OF FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUNDS FOR FY2020-21

Introduced By: Mayor Habeeb-Ullah Muhammad

WHEREAS, the Governor, as of March 5, 2020 and thereafter, has issued orders initially declaring a state of emergency and catastrophic health emergency for the epidemic known as COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the Town of Forest Heights, as of April 5, 2020 issued a proclamation initially declaring the existence of a local emergency thereby requiring the public to observe certain social distancing behaviors and closing the town offices and the municipal building to the public except for essential police operations, and ordering most of the remaining staff to telework; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council on May 4, 2020 approved a resolution extending the Mayor's Local Emergency Order beyond 30 days and throughout the same duration as the Governor's State-declared health emergency or until such time as the Mayor or the Council sees fit to terminate said order; and

WHEREAS, on May 6, 2020, the County Executive wrote the Mayor stating that under the United States Department of Treasury, Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Prince George's County, Maryland, received a direct allocation from the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) to cover necessary expenditures directly related to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), and that the County will allocate \$15 million of its CRF funding to its 27 municipalities on a per capita basis and that the Town's share would be \$157,000; and

WHEREAS, on June 10, 2020, the County Director of the Office of Management and Budget wrote the Mayor stating that, with certain modifications, the County has accepted the Town's budget and spending plan to expend its \$157,000 allocation, attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council approves and authorizes the Mayor to enter into on behalf of the Town, a CRF Agreement with Prince George's County, attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit B, in accordance with the terms and conditions stated therein;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall authorize the Mayor or her designee to sign a Certificate of Assurance of Compliance, a Certificate of Authority and any

other relevant documents or form prescribed by the County to carry out the implementation of the Town's above-referenced spending plan;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized to sign this Resolution on behalf of the Council;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

PASSED this 15 day of July 2020.

APPROVED: By Resolution of the Town Council of The Town of Forest Heights, Maryland

ROLL CALL VOTE

YEA/NAY/ABSTAIN/ABSENT

MUHAMMAD

Yea

KENNEDY II

ABSENT

NOBLE

Yea

BARNES

Yea

HINES

Yea

WASHINGTON

Yea

ATKINSON

Yea

ATTEST:

**THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS,
MARYLAND**

SIGNATURE ON FILE

Sherletta Hawkins, Town Clerk

SIGNATURE ON FILE

By: Habeeb-Ullah Muhammad, Mayor

SIGNATURE ON FILE

By: Calvin Washington, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby certify, as the duly appointed Town Clerk of the Town of Forest Heights, Maryland, that on the 15 day of July 2020 with 6 Aye votes and 0 Nay votes the aforesaid Resolution 43-20 passed.

SIGNATURE ON FILE

Sherletta Hawkins, Town Clerk

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