

TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS  
RESOLUTION 73-20

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO DISTRIBUTE CHRISTMAS  
BONUSES TO THE TOWN EMPLOYEES

Introduced By: Mayor Habeeb-Ullah Muhammad

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council passed Emergency Ordinance 02-20 on June 11, 2020 approving the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget for The Town of Forest Heights (the "Town"); and

**WHEREAS**, Section 33-46 of the Town Charter requires that no public money may be expended without having been appropriated by the Council; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 33-48 of the Town Charter requires that during any budget year no officer or employee of Town shall expend or contract to expend any money or incur any liability which by its terms involves the expenditure of money for any purpose, in excess of the amounts appropriated for or transferred to that general classification of expenditure; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council finds that it is an accepted and long-standing practice in the State of Maryland for municipal corporations to provide employee bonuses at the end of the calendar year in recognition of faithful public service and that it is in the best interest of the Town to do so at this time; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Council authorizes the Mayor and Treasurer to provide additional compensation to all employees, excluding police officers, of the Town in the form of a bonus in an amount not to exceed \$200.00 per employee plus FICA; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that each employee shall receive this bonus as appreciation for their service to the Town for the pay period ending on or before December 31, 2020.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that said bonuses shall be appropriated from Line Item #7005 of the Fiscal Year 2021 Town Budget.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage. PASSED this 16th day of December 2020.

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

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ROLL CALL VOTE

YEA/NAY/ABSTAIN/ABSENT

MUHAMMAD

Yea

KENNEDY II

Yea

WASHINGTON

Absent

BARNES

Yea

ATKINSON

Yea

HINES

Yea

NOBLE

Yea

Yea

ATTEST:

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE  
TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS, MARYLAND

**SIGNATURE ON FILE**

Sherletta Hawkins, Town Clerk

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By: Habeeb-Ullah Muhammad, Mayor

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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 16<sup>th</sup> day of December 2020 with 6 Aye votes and 0 Nay, constituting a majority, the aforesaid Resolution 73-20 passed.

**SIGNATURE ON FILE**

Sherletta Hawkins, Town Clerk