ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT CARES ACT FUNDING AWARDED BY THE US DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT CORONA VIRUS(CDBG-CV), HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS CORONA VIRUS (HOPWA-CV) AND EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANTS CORONA VIRUS (ESG-CV) FUNDS

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) immediately began allocating $3.064 billion to help America’s low-income families and most vulnerable citizens by using existing grant formula calculations; they will also be accompanied by new guidance that cuts red tape so grantees can quickly help their communities in accordance with the process prescribed in 24CFR Part 91; and

WHEREAS, Acceptance of said funds will require the City to prepare a Substantial Amendment to the Annual Action Plan, Statement of Activities and Use of Funds; and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has announced the first allocation of funds. The City of New Haven has been awarded a special allocation of Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funds in the amount of $2,236,393 to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus (COVID-19). This allocation was authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136, which was signed by the President on March 27, 2020, to respond to the growing effects of this historic public health crisis. Additional funds shall be allocated based on needs using best available data; and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has announced the first allocation of funds. The City of New Haven has been awarded a special allocation of Emergency Solutions Grants Coronavirus (ESG-CV) funds in the amount of $1,137,914, as authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136. These special ESG-CV funds are to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) among individuals and families who are homeless or receiving homeless assistance; and to support additional homeless assistance and homelessness prevention activities to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has announced the first allocation of funds. The City of New Haven has been awarded a special allocation of Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS Coronavirus (HOPWA-CV) funds in the amount of $160,839 provided under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136, which was signed into law on March 27, 2020. The supplemental funds provided under the CARES Act are to be used by HOPWA grantees as additional funding to maintain operations and for rental assistance, supportive services, and other necessary actions, in order to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is authorized to accept Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136 funding from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and is authorized to sign any associated documentation or other agreements, subsequent amendments and other documents, any of which may include indemnification provisions, and which may have a term of longer than one year, that the Mayor deems necessary or desirable regarding CARES Act funding.