April 15, 2020

Alder Tyisha Walker-Myers

President of Board of Alders

23rd Ward

Board of Alders

165 Church Street

New Haven, CT 06510

RE: Acceptance of Funding for CDBG Cares Act Award

Dear Honorable President Walker-Myers:

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) was signed into law on March 27, 2020, providing much needed assistance to the American people as the country works diligently to combat COVID-19. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has made available $3.064 billion through its Community Development Block Grant, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS programs to help America’s low-income families and most vulnerable citizens.

These funds have been awarded using HUD’s existing grant formula calculations. In the first round of funding allocations, the City of New Haven has been awarded $2,236,393 of Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funds; $1,137,914 of Emergency Solutions Grants Coronavirus (ESG-CV) funds; $160,839 of Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Coronavirus (HOPWA-CV) funds. These supplemental awards may be used to reimburse allowable costs incurred prior to the receipt of the City’s supplemental award letter. Funds may be to support pandemic response and a range of eligible activities that help prevent, prepare for or respond to the spread of infectious disease. HUD also recommends coordination with local health authorities to determine the greatest use of this funding.

I look forward to your involvement in helping the City support our most vulnerable residents in these unprecedented times.

Sincerely,

Michael Gormany

City Budget Director and Acting Controller