Resolution No. ____

HOME-ARP Allocation Plan FY 2021-2022 Action Plan Substantial Amendment No. 2

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE HOME-ARP SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE FY 2021-2022 ACTION PLAN; AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO TRANSMIT THE AMENDED ACTION PLAN TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD).

Whereas the On March 11, 2021, President Biden signed the American Rescue Plan (APR) into law, which provided over \$1.9 trillion in relief to address the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the economy, public health, State and local governments, individuals, and businesses.

Whereas, to address the need for homelessness assistance and supportive services, Congress appropriated \$5 billion in American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds to be administered through the Federal HOME grant to perform four activities that must primarily benefit qualifying individuals and families who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, or other vulnerable populations.

Whereas these activities include: (1) development and support of affordable housing, (2) tenant-based rental assistance (TBRA), (3) provision of supportive services; and (4) acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter units.

Whereas, after local consultation meetings with the agencies providing homeless services, and agencies supporting other vulnerable populations the highest priority for funding emerged as the need for additional affordable rental units for the qualifying populations.

Whereas the HOME-ARP Allocation Plan outlines the approved projects for these grant funds to support of rental housing vouchers targeted to qualifying populations as outlined in the HOME-ARP rules.

Whereas, the Board of County Commissioners of Polk County, Florida, has charged the Polk County Housing and Neighborhood Development Office of the Health and Human

Services Division with the responsibility of administering the HOME-ARP grant programs; and

Whereas, the Housing and Neighborhood Development Office of the Health and Human Services Division has prepared the HOME ARP Allocation Plan Substantial Amendment No. 2 to the 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan and is required to submit this amendment to HUD; and

Whereas, on October 16, 2024, a Notice of a 15-day public comment period and meeting was advertised in the Sun News, and a public meeting was held Wednesday October 23, 2024, to present the Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) project as an amendment No. 2 to this HOME ARP Allocation Plan. No comments were received from the public.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Polk County, Florida, that:

Article 1: The HOME-ARP Allocation Plan- 2021-2022 Action Plan Substantial Amendment No. 2 is approved. The proposed Amendment seeks to provide HOME-ARP funds for a Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) program to be managed by the Homeless Coalition of Polk County.

Article 2: The Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners of Polk County, Florida, is also authorized to direct the Housing and Neighborhood Development Office of the Health and Human Services Division (HND) to transmit the amended plan to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for review and approval.

Duly adopted by the governing Board of Polk County, Florida, this 3rd day of December 2024.

Attest:	
Stacy M. Butterfield,	Polk County, Florida
Clerk and Auditor to the Board	
Ву:	By:
	Chairman, Board of County Commissioners