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## **RESOLUTION NO. RES-21-0127**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE STATE RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – 2

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub.L. No. 117-2) ("ARPA") was signed into law. Section 3201 of ARPA established the federal Emergency Rental Assistance Program ("ERAP2"), and authorized the direct allocation of emergency rental assistance funds to states, the District of Columbia, units of local government, and territories. The ERAP2 funds are intended to assist low-income households that have experienced financial hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic, are unable to pay for rent and utilities, and are at risk of experiencing homelessness or housing stability; and

WHEREAS, California Assembly Bill No. 832 (2021-2022 Reg. Sess.) ("AB 832") established the State of California's program for administering its share of ERAP2 funds (the "SRA2," "State Rental Assistance Program – 2," or "SRA2 Funds"). AB 832 amended Chapter 17 (commencing with Section 50897) of Part 2 of Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code. Health and Safety Code section 50897.1, subdivision (a)(1) authorizes the Department of Housing and Community Development (the "Department") to administer the SRA2 Funds in accordance with state and federal law; and

WHEREAS, on May 13, 2021 the City of Long Beach ("Locality") received an allocation of ERAP2 funds from the U.S. Department of the Treasury ("Treasury") in the amount of \$21,204,940.40 (such amount, the Locality's "Direct ERAP2 Allocation"); and

WHEREAS, Locality plans to administer its Direct ERAP2 Allocation, and acknowledges that the Direct ERAP2 Allocation is subject to the requirements of ARPA and the Treasury's interpretive guidance, and to all such requirements as may be

subsequently amended; and

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WHEREAS, Locality desires to receive an allocation of SRA2 Funds pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 50897.2.1, subdivision (a)(1) or (2) (such allocation, a "Round 2 Block Grant Award"), Locality submitted its request for a Round 2 Block Grant Award to the Department in accordance with Health and Safety Code section 50897.2.1, subdivision (c)(1); and

WHEREAS. Locality acknowledges that every Round 2 Block Grant Award is subject to state and federal requirements, including, without limitation, the requirements of AB 832 and the Department's guidelines, the relevant requirements of ARPA and the Treasury's interpretive guidance, and all such requirements as may be subsequently amended (collectively, the "Round 2 Block Grant Award Requirements"); and

WHEREAS, Locality further acknowledges that every Round 2 Block Grant Award is subject to the terms and conditions of a Department-approved STD 213, Standard Agreement ("Standard Agreement"), all other documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate UNDER STATE OR FEDERAL LAW to allocate the Round 2 Block Grant Award, and all amendments thereto (collectively, the "Round 2 Block Grant Award Documents");

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as follows:

Section 1. Locality is hereby authorized and directed to accept a Round 2 Block Grant Award in a total amount not to exceed \$13,099,702.12.

Section 2. Locality is hereby authorized and directed to enter into, execute, and deliver the Round 2 Block Grant Award Documents, which shall include a Standard Agreement in a total amount not to exceed \$39,299,106.36.

Section 3. Locality is hereby authorized and directed to assume responsibility for administering the Round 2 Block Grant Award in accordance with all Round 2 Block Grant Award Requirements.

> Section 4. Thomas B. Modica, City Manager, or his designee, is

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1	authorized to execute the Round 2 Block Grant Award Documents on behalf of the		
2	Locality for participation in the State Rental Assistance Program – 2.		
3	Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption		
4	by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.		
5	I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Counci		
6	of the City of Long Beach at its meeting ofOctober 12, 2021 by the		
7	following vote:		
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9	Ayes:	Councilmembers:	Zendejas, Allen, Price, Supernaw,
10			Mungo, Saro, Uranga, Austin.
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13	Noes:	Councilmembers:	None.
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15	Absent:	Councilmembers:	Richardson.
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17	Recusal(s):	Councilmembers:	None.
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