RESOLUTION NO.	

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE SMALL BUSINESS RELIEF PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$479,816.76 UTILIZING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUNDS AWARDED TO THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD.

WHEREAS, on August 26, 2020, the City Commission passed and adopted Resolution No. R-2020-194 that amended the One Year Action Plan for federal program fiscal year 2019-2020 to allocate \$475,000.00 of first round CDBG COVID-19 funds (CDBG-CV1) to Micro-enterprise assistance; and

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2021, the City Commission passed and adopted Resolution No. R-2021-155 that amended the One Year Action Plan for federal fiscal year 2019-2020 to allocate \$230,000.00 of third round CDBG COVID-19 funds (CDBG-CV3) to support small business assistance programs; and

WHEREAS, in FY 2020, the Office of Communications, Marketing and Economic Development utilized \$225,183.24 of CDBG-CV1 funds to provide \$5,000.00 emergency grants to 46 small businesses in critically impacted industries through a Micro-Enterprise Small Business Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that its small business community continues to be substantially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and that these businesses require funding to stabilize and remain viable; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to use the remaining CDBG–CV1 balance of \$249,816.76 and the \$230,000.00 CDBG-CV3 allocation for the creation of the Small Business Relief Program, which will provide financial relief to those Hollywood small businesses impacted by COVID-19, in accordance with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") National Objectives and Eligible Activities; and

WHEREAS, the City utilized the assistance of a HUD national technical assistance provider consulting firm to develop a program plan that will maintain compliance and efficiency with HUD's regulatory policies and procedures, and has procured the software tools for an online platform for application management to enhance the application process and required compliance management components for the Small Business Relief Program; and

WHEREAS, the Small Business Relief Program will award qualified small businesses up to \$20,000.00 in grant funding for eligible expenses that include rent/mortgage, utilities, and payroll assistance; and

WHEREAS, funding is available for this item in account numbers 111.160101.55400.584500.001220.000.000 and 111.160101.55400.584500.001409.000.000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA:

<u>Section 1</u>: That the foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are incorporated in this Resolution.

Section 2: That it authorizes and approves the establishment of the CDBG COVID-19 Small Business Relief Program as more specifically set forth in the attached Exhibit "1."

<u>Section 3</u>: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this	day of _	, 2021.
		JOSH LEVY, MAYOR
ATTEST:		
PATRICIA A. CERNY, MMC CITY CLERK		
APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY for the use and reliance of the City of Hollywood, Florida, only.		

DOUGLAS R. GONZALES

CITY ATTORNEY