## **RESOLUTION NO. 2020 - 102**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA, REQUESTING DISTRIBUTION OF \$1.275 BILLION IN CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF AND ECONOMIC SECURITY (CARES) FUNDING TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS NOT RECEIVING FUNDING DIRECTLY FROM CONGRESS.

WHEREAS, The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act was passed by Congress with overwhelming, bipartisan support and signed into law by President Trump on March 27th, 2020. This over \$2 trillion economic relief package focus was to protect the American people from the public health and economic impacts of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Florida's allocation for specific state and local government expenses, as well as economic relief and sustainability efforts, from the CARES Act was approximately \$8.328 billion; and

WHEREAS, the federal legislation provided that of this amount, \$4,580,521,590 was reserved for the state and \$3,747,699,482 of the allocation was reserved for direct payments to eligible local government jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, based on the federal legislative formula determining the suballocation of the reserved "local allocation," eligible Florida local governments (500,000+) would be able to receive approximately \$2.472 billion in direct federal assistance; and

WHEREAS, there is approximately \$1.275 billion remaining in the total allocation reserved for eligible Florida local governments of \$3.747 billion; and

WHEREAS, all municipal and county governments that did not receive direct or indirect funding as a result of the CARES Act are deemed "eligible" local

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governments to receive distribution from the total requested allocation of \$1.275

billion; and

WHEREAS, the distribution methodology, similar to the federal formula,

would utilize each eligible jurisdiction's total population as a share of the total state

population to create a factor that would be applied to the total dedicated allocation as

developed by the Florida Association of Counties and the Florida League of Cities;

and

WHEREAS, Nassau County's allocation from the remaining \$1.75 billion

would be used in accordance with the U.S. Treasury Guidelines which includes

assisting local businesses in economic recovery.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners

of Nassau County, Florida, that the Board respectfully requests that the \$1.275 billion in

CARES Act Funding appropriated for local government stabilization be earmarked to

provide necessary resources to local governments that were not direct beneficiaries of

CARES Act dollars by using the distribution model agreed to and presented by the

Florida Association of Counties and the Florida League of Cities.

**DULY ADOPTED** this 27th day of May, 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

DANIEL B. LEEPER

Its: Chairman

ATTEST AS, TO, CHAIRMAN'S

SIGNATURE

OHN A. CRAWFORD

Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the

Nassau County Attorney:

MICHAEL S. MULLIN