

Resolution 2020- 109

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO DEVELOP A PLAN, PURSUANT TO THE CARES ACT, FOR THE RECEIPT AND EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FROM THE CARES ACT PROCEEDS AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE RELIEF FUND ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATION.

WHEREAS, on or about March 27, 2020, President Donald J. Trump signed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (“CARES Act”) into law; and

WHEREAS, the CARES Act provides for a Coronavirus Relief Fund, and appropriated \$1,275,285.79 for the State of Florida to disburse to counties with populations less than 500,000; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has the discretion to release the funds to the counties based on a formula to be promulgated by the Florida Department of Emergency Management; and

WHEREAS, the Governor’s office and the Florida Department of Emergency Management are in the process of establishing a distribution formula; and

WHEREAS, Nassau County, on behalf of the citizens of Nassau County, should prepare a plan for the receipt and distribution of funds; and

WHEREAS, the CARES Act provides as guidance only that the local government shall use the funds to cover only those costs of the unit of local government that:

- (1) are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19);
- (2) were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of the date of enactment of this section for the State or government; and

(3) were incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020, and ends on December 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Emergency Management has provided a CARES Act Funding Agreement for each county; and

WHEREAS, the CARES Act Funding Agreement for Nassau County indicates an initial disbursement of \$3,888,095.00; and

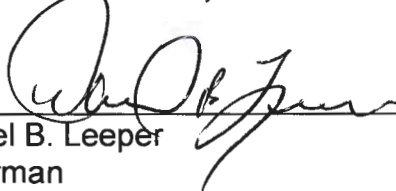
WHEREAS, the County Manager, Emergency Operations Director and staff are directed to prepare a plan for the receipt and distribution of the funds for presentation to the Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the State requires a certification to be executed by the County Manager.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, on this 17th day of June, 2020, that:

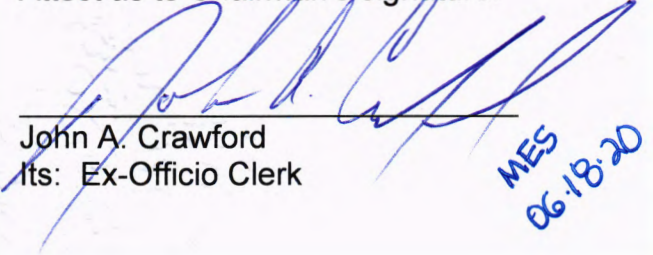
- 1) The County Manager is authorized to develop a plan for the receipt and expenditure of funds pursuant to the CARES Act and Florida Department of Emergency Management guidelines.
- 2) Request the Clerk of Court to assist in the preparation of the plan.
- 3) The County Manager is directed to provide the Board of County Commissioners with a plan within thirty (30) days of the date of this Resolution.
- 4) The County Manager is authorized to execute the certification form (See attached Exhibit "A").

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA**



Daniel B. Leeper
Chairman

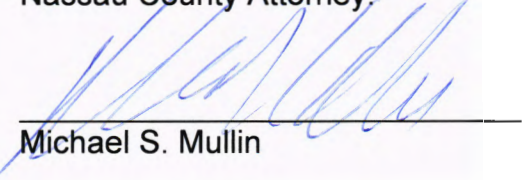
Attest as to Chairman's signature:



John A. Crawford
Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

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06-18-20

Approved as to form by the
Nassau County Attorney:



Michael S. Mullin



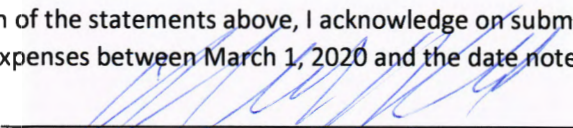
Attachment A

CARES ACT CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATION

I, , am the Authorized Agent of Nassau County County ("County") and I certify that:

1. I have the authority on behalf of County to request grant payments from the State of Florida ("State") for federal funds appropriated pursuant to section 601 of the Social Security Act, as added by section 5001 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, Pub. L. No. 116-136, div. A, Title V (Mar. 27, 2020).
2. I understand that the State will rely on this certification as a material representation in making grant payments to the County.
3. I acknowledge that County should keep records sufficient to demonstrate that the expenditure of funds it has received is in accordance with section 601(d) of the Social Security Act.
4. I acknowledge that all records and expenditures are subject to audit by the United States Department of Treasury's Inspector General, the Florida Division of Emergency Management, and the Florida State Auditor General, or designee.
5. I acknowledge that County has an affirmative obligation to identify and report any duplication of benefits. I understand that the State has an obligation and the authority to deobligate or offset any duplicated benefits.
6. I acknowledge and agree that County shall be liable for any costs disallowed pursuant to financial or compliance audits of funds received.
7. I acknowledge that if County has not used funds it has received to cover costs that were incurred by December 30, 2020, as required by the statute, those funds must be returned to the United States Department of the Treasury.
8. I acknowledge that the County's proposed uses of the funds provided as grant payments from the State by federal appropriation under section 601 of the Social Security Act will be used only to cover those costs that:
 - a. are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency and governor's disaster declaration on March 13, 2020 with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19);
 - b. were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020, for County; and
 - c. were incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020 and ends on December 30, 2020.

In addition to each of the statements above, I acknowledge on submission of this certification that my jurisdiction has incurred eligible expenses between March 1, 2020 and the date noted below.

By: 
 Name and title: Michael S. Mullin, County Manager
 Date: 6-17-20