

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT, A CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY (CARES) ACT GRANT FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, TO PREVENT, PREPARE FOR, AND RESPOND TO THE IMPACTS OF COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY ON TRANSIT OPERATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020 and 2021**

**WHEREAS**, on March 27, 2020, President Trump signed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act into law. The CARES Act provides emergency assistance and health care response for individuals, families and businesses affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and provide emergency appropriations to support Executive Branch agency operations during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) was allocated \$25 billion to disperse to public transportation agencies and recipients of urbanized area and rural area formula funds. Funding is provided at a 100% federal share, with no local match required, and available to support transit agencies with capital, operating, and other expenses; and

**WHEREAS**, the Los Angeles County service area received an allocation of \$1.068 Billion in CARES Act funds, which is to be dispersed amongst all municipal transit operators and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro). Metro anticipates declines in State level funding which relies heavily upon sales and fuel taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, the CARES Act funds will be used to cover revenue shortfalls, capital expenditures, general operating expenses, including payroll, administrative leave for transit personnel due to reduced service operations during this COVID-19 pandemic emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Commerce is eligible to receive and utilize \$834,418 in CARES Act funds. Transit operating and capital expenses incurred beginning on January 20, 2020 are eligible for reimbursement.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DECLARE AND DETERMINE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The City Council of the City of Commerce hereby finds and declares that the foregoing recitals are true and correct, and incorporates them herein as findings and as a substantive part of this Resolution.

Section 2. The City Council hereby grants the City Manager authorization to accept a Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Grant on behalf of the City of Commerce from the United States Department of Transportation, to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the impacts of COVID-19 public health emergency on Transit operations for Fiscal Year 2020 and 2021, and to execute any required agreements or forms to effectuate same.

Section 3. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July 2020.

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Ivan Altamirano, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Lena Shumway  
City Clerk