

CITY OF FORNEY, TEXAS

RESOLUTION NO. 20-_____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORNEY, TEXAS
AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS FOR
AVAILABLE GRANT OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH THE CORONAVIRUS
RELIEF FUND (“CARES ACT”); PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization Director General declared the outbreak of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern advising countries to prepare for the containment, detection, isolation and case management, contact tracing and prevention of the onward spread of the disease; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 was declared as a worldwide pandemic on March 11, 2020 and has been recognized globally as a contagious respiratory virus; and

WHEREAS, President Donald Trump declared a State of National Emergency for the United States of America on March 13, 2020 due to the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020 certifying that COVID-19 poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has advised that person-to-person contact heightens the risk of COVID-19 transmission; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020, Hal Richards, County Judge of Kaufman County, Texas issued a Declaration of State of Disaster and Public Health Emergency for Kaufman County of which the City of Forney is contained; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of State Health Services determined that, as of March 19, 2020, COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020, Mary Penn, Mayor of the City of Forney, Texas issued a Declaration of State of Disaster and Public Health Emergency for the City of Forney; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned orders and many subsequent orders as well as guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Texas Department of State Health Services were issued to promote health and suppress disease; and

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Forney, Texas (“City Council”) finds it in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Forney to seek opportunities such as grant projects to assist the City during the period of disaster; and

WHEREAS, the City Council authorizes Anthony Carson, City Manager, to submit grant applications on behalf of the City related to the COVID-19 pandemic for the benefit and well-being of the City.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Forney approves the authorization of the City Manager to submit grant applications related to COVID-19 grant projects on behalf of the City.

PRESENTED AND PASSED by the City Council of the City of Forney, Texas, this the 19th day of May, 2020.

CITY OF FORNEY, TEXAS

Mary Penn, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dorothy Brooks, City Secretary