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A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to approve an agreement to enter into a long term subsidy contract for 15 years in support of the District’s Local Rent Supplement Program to fund housing costs associated with affordable housing units for Contract No. 2020-LRSP-21A with Wesley Hawaii LLC, for LRSP units at 1 Hawaii Apartments located at 1 Hawaii Avenue NE.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the “Local Rent Supplement Program Contract No. 2020-LRSP-21A Approval Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2022”.

Sec. 2. (a) In 2007, the District passed Title II of the Fiscal Year 2007 Budget Support Act of 2006 (“BSA”) to provide funding for affordable housing for extremely low-income households in the District. The passage of the BSA created the Local Rent Supplement Program (“LRSP”), a program designed to provide affordable housing and supportive services to extremely low-income District residents, including those who are homeless or in need of supportive services, such as elderly individuals or those with disabilities, through project-based, tenant-based, and sponsored-based LRSP affordable housing units. The BSA provided for the District of Columbia Housing Authority (“DCHA”) to administer the LRSP on behalf of the District.

1 (b) In 2019, the DCHA participated in a request for proposals issued by the District of  
2 Columbia Department of Housing and Community Development. Of the multiple proposals  
3 received, 34 developers were chosen to work with DCHA and other District agencies to develop  
4 affordable housing and permanent supportive housing units for extremely low-income families  
5 making zero to 30% of the area’s median income, as well as the chronically homeless and  
6 individuals with mental or physical disabilities. Upon approval of the contract by the Council,  
7 DCHA will enter into an agreement to enter into a long-term subsidy contract (“ALTSC”) with  
8 the selected housing providers under the LRSP for housing services.

9 (c) There exists an immediate need to approve the long term subsidy contract with  
10 Wesley Hawaii LLC, under the LRSP in order to provide long-term affordable housing units for  
11 extremely low-income households for units located at 1 Hawaii Avenue NE.

12 (d) The emergency legislation to approve the contract will authorize an ALTSC between  
13 the District of Columbia Housing Authority and Wesley Hawaii LLC, with respect to the  
14 payment of a rental subsidy and allows the owner to lease the rehabilitated units at 1 Hawaii  
15 Avenue Apartments and house extremely low-income households with incomes at 30% or less of  
16 the area median income.

17 Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia determines that the circumstances  
18 enumerated in Section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the Local  
19 Rent Supplement Program Contract No. 2020-LRSP-21A Approval Emergency Declaration  
20 Resolution of 2022 be adopted after a single reading.

21 Sec. 4. Pursuant to section 451 of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved  
22 December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 803; D.C. Official Code § 1-204.51), and section 202 of the  
23 Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010, effective April 8, 2011 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C.

1 Official Code § 2-352.02), the Council approves the ALTSC with Wesley Hawaii LLC, to  
2 provide an operating subsidy in support of eight (8) affordable units in an initial amount not  
3 to exceed \$148,380 annually.

4           Sec. 5. Transmittal.

5           The Council shall transmit a copy of this resolution, upon its adoption, to the District of  
6 Columbia Housing Authority and the Mayor.

7           Sec. 6. Fiscal impact statement.

8           The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Chief Financial Officer as the  
9 fiscal impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975,  
10 approved October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

11           Sec. 7. Effective date.

12           This resolution shall take effect immediately.