RES17-079

Wilmington, Delaware November 2, 2017

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-363 of the City Code, the Council deemed it necessary and proper to specify the requirements for review and approval of City-sponsored grant applications and proposals, including authorization for expedited grant applications when necessary prior to Council's approval by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City, through the Mayor's Office, applied for a Bloomberg Philanthropies Mayor's Challenge grant; and

WHEREAS, Bloomberg Philanthropies requires cities to submit an idea with an innovative way to address and urgent challenge facing their city and others; and

WHEREAS, recipients of the grant will be awarded \$100,000 to test their idea over six months and a subset of those recipients will be selected for an award of \$1,000,000 to scale up their idea; and

WHEREAS, the Wilmington idea address joblessness among the re-entry population;

WHEREAS, the Wilmington idea includes job readiness training and private sector jobs for re-entry individuals at moderate risk to reoffend and provides financial incentives aimed to build a peer support network to help them succeed; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems it necessary and proper to authorize the grant application, for the aforesaid purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Mayor's Office's Application to Bloomberg Philanthropies Mayors Challenge is hereby authorized.

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Council

Sponsor:

Member Freel **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor, or his designee, shall be authorized to take all necessary actions to accept any and all funds associated with accepting the grant and to fulfill the grant requirements.

Passed by City Council, November 2, 2017

ATTEST: Maribel Deijo City Clerk

Approved as to form this $\frac{1}{2}$ day of November, 2017.

Assistant City Solicitor

SYNOPSIS: This Resolution authorizes the Mayor's Office's application to Bloomberg Philanthropies Mayors Challenge. If awarded, the funds will be used to decrease joblessness among the re-entry population and provide training and support to program participants to help them succeed. No matching funds are required.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT: There is no negative fiscal impact on the City.

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