

1 Introduced by the Council President at the request of the Mayor and
2 amended by the Neighborhoods, Community Services, Public Health and
3 Safety Committee:

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6 **ORDINANCE 2026-65-E**

7 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$2,000,000.00 IN
8 FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 STATE HOUSING INITIATIVE
9 PARTNERSHIP ("SHIP") GRANT FUNDS FROM THE SHIP
10 OWNER-OCCUPIED REHABILITATION PROGRAM TO THE
11 SHIP DOWNPAYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND SHIP
12 SINGLE-FAMILY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, AS INITIATED
13 BY REVISED B.T. 26-036; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR,
14 OR HER DESIGNEE, AND THE CORPORATE SECRETARY TO
15 EXECUTE AND DELIVER DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE
16 APPROPRIATION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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18 **WHEREAS**, City of Jacksonville Ordinance 2023-335-E appropriated
19 \$12,170,201.42, including \$11,865,266.00 in State Housing Initiative
20 Partnership Program funds from the Florida Department of Economic
21 Opportunity, through the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to serve
22 very low, low, and moderate-income families; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the City of Jacksonville continues to experience a
24 shortage of affordable homes for low and very low-income families due
25 to limited supply of entry level homes. To help address this, the
26 City's Housing and Community Development Department desires to
27 appropriate \$2,000,000.00 of the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 State Housing
28 Initiative Partnership Program funding to the Downpayment Assistance
29 Program and Single-Family Development Program within the City's State
30 Housing Initiative Partnership Program; now therefore

31 **BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Jacksonville:

Section 1. Appropriation.

For the 2025-2026 fiscal year, within the City's budget, there are hereby appropriated the indicated sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s) listed in subsection (b):

(Revised B.T. 26-036 attached hereto as **Revised Exhibit 1**, labeled as "Revised Exhibit 1, Rev B.T. 26-036, February 17, 2026 - NCSPHS" and incorporated herein by this reference)

(a) Appropriated from:

See Revised B.T. 26-036 \$2,000,000.00

(b) Appropriated to:

See Revised B.T. 26-036 \$2,000,000.00

(c) Explanation of Appropriation

The funding above is an appropriation of Fiscal Year 2023-2024 State Housing Initiative Partnership grant funds in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 to the City's State Housing Initiative Partnership Downpayment Assistance Program and State Housing Initiative Partnership Single-Family Development Program.

Section 2. Purpose.

The Florida Housing Finance Corporation provides funding to local governments as an incentive to create partnerships that produce and preserve affordable homeownership and multifamily housing. The State Housing Initiative Partnership ("SHIP") program was designed to serve very low, low, and moderate-income families. SHIP funds may be used for emergency repairs, new construction, rehabilitation, down payment and closing costs assistance, impact fees, construction and gap financing, mortgage buy-downs, acquisition of property for affordable housing, matching dollars for federal housing grants and programs, homeownership counseling, and the Foreclosure Intervention Program. The Schedule of Proposed Funding detailing the proposed uses of the SHIP funds is attached hereto as **Revised Exhibit 2**, labeled as

1 "Revised Exhibit 2, Rev Sched, February 17, 2026 - NCSPHS" and
2 incorporated herein by this reference.

3 The purpose of the appropriation in Section 1 is to reallocate
4 the SHIP funds previously appropriated and allocated in Jacksonville
5 Ordinance 2023-335-E, from the SHIP Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation
6 Program to the SHIP Downpayment Assistance Program, and the SHIP
7 Single-Family Development Program, which is more fully described in
8 the Memorandum attached as **Exhibit 3**. The appropriation of SHIP
9 funds made herein shall be awarded to qualified applicants on a first
10 come, first served basis as determined by the Housing and Community
11 Development Division and shall not require additional legislation for
12 distribution of funds.

13 **Section 3. Approval and Authorization to Execute**
14 **Agreements.** The Mayor, or her designee, and the Corporate Secretary
15 are hereby authorized to negotiate and execute agreements, including
16 extensions and other amendments thereto, to effectuate the purpose
17 set forth in Section 2 above.

18 **Section 4. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become
19 effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective
20 without the Mayor's signature.

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22 Form Approved:

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24 /s/ Mary E. Staffopoulos

25 Office of General Counsel

26 Legislation prepared by: Ashley Smith

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