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See B.T. 26-004

(a) Appropriated from:

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(b) Appropriated to:

ORDINANCE 2025-403

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING A CONTINUATION GRANT; APPROPRIATING \$3,328,249.00 IN ANNUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS (HOPWA) PROGRAM GRANT FUNDING FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT TO PROVIDE HOUSING ASSISTANCE AND RELATED SUPPORTIVE SERVICES TO ELIGIBLE LOW-INCOME PERSONS LIVING WITH HIV/AIDS AND THEIR FAMILIES WITHIN DUVAL COUNTY, AS INITIATED BY B.T. 26-004; PROVIDING AUTHORIZATION FOR REALLOCATION OF GRANT FUNDS AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR THE MAYOR AND CORPORATION SECRETARY TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE AWARD; APPROVING A PROGRAM MANAGER POSITION, AS INITIATED BY R.C. 26-003; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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 is hereby appropriated the indicated sum(s) from the account(s) listed in subsection (a) to the account(s) listed in subsection (b):

(B.T. 26-004, attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** and incorporated herein

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(c) Explanation of Appropriation:

The funding above is an appropriation of \$3,328,249.00 in annual grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") for the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS ("HOPWA") program. The HOPWA program is administered by the Housing and Community Development Division and was established to provide housing assistance and related supportive services to eligible low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families. The HOPWA program grant funds must be expended within 36 months after HUD signs the grant agreement.

Purpose. The purpose of the appropriation in Section 2. Section 1 is to provide funding for housing assistance and related supportive services to eligible low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families. The HOPWA program provides funding that can be used for a wide range of housing, social services, program planning, and development cost expenditures for eligible persons and their families. Housing assistance may include the acquisition, rehabilitation or new construction of housing units, costs for facility operations, rental assistance, and short-term payments to prevent homelessness. In addition, an essential component providing housing assistance for this targeted, special population is the coordination and delivery of supportive services. Consequently, HOPWA funds may also be used for services that include, but are not limited to, assessment and case management, substance abuse treatment, mental health treatment, nutritional services, job training and placement assistance, and assistance with daily living activities. The Schedule of Proposed Funding detailing the proposed uses of HOPWA funds is attached hereto as Exhibit 2 and incorporated herein by this reference.

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Section 3. Authorization for Reallocation of Grant Funds.

In the event a sub-recipient is unable or unwilling to accept an award of HOPWA funds, the funds may be reallocated to the next eligible awardee using the same method and criteria normally applied by the Jacksonville Housing and Community Development Commission for award of HOPWA funds.

Section 4. Execution of Documents. The Mayor, or her designee, and the Corporation Secretary are hereby authorized to execute and deliver any and all documents necessary to effectuate the purpose set forth in Section 2 above.

Section 5. Approval of Position. There is hereby approved the Program Manager position more fully described in R.C. 26-003, attached hereto as **Exhibit 3** and incorporated herein by this reference. Said position is fully funded by HOPWA grant dollars and will provide services in support of the HOPWA program.

Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon signature by the Mayor or upon becoming effective without the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Joelle Dillard

Form Approved:

Office of General Counsel

Legislation Prepared By: Joelle J. Dillard

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