

★ Roll Call Number

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Date April 6, 2015

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUPPORT OF A GRANT APPLICATION
BY THE POLK COUNTY HOUSING TRUST FUND FOR FUNDING OF A
PROPOSED HEALTHY HOMES REPAIR AND EDUCATION PROGRAM IN THE
EAST BANK NEIGHBORHOODS**

WHEREAS, on April 21, 2014, by Roll Call Nos. 14-0606 and 14-0607, the City Council approved the Capitol East Neighborhood Plan Update and the Capitol Park Neighborhood Plan Update, respectively, as elements of the Des Moines 2020 Community Character Land Use Plan; and,

WHEREAS, on August 11, 2014, by Roll Call No. 14-1227, the City Council approved the Martin Luther King Jr. Park Neighborhood Revitalization Plan and adopted it as an element of, and amendment to, the Des Moines 2020 Community Character Land Use Plan; and,

WHEREAS, on October 20, 2014, by Roll Call No. 14-1643, the City Council approved the Viva East Bank! Memoranda of Understanding, whereby the City agreed to provide City staff resources to the Partners Coalition and Steering Committee of the Viva East Bank! multi-sector coalition formed for implementation of the neighborhood plans for Capitol East, Capitol Park and Martin Luther King Jr. Park, collectively known as the East Bank neighborhoods; and,

WHEREAS, the Polk County Housing Trust Fund is a planning, advocacy and funding organization for providing safe and stable affordable housing in Polk County, and which is a partner in the Viva East Bank! coalition; and,

WHEREAS, the BUILD Health Challenge is a national award program designed to support collaborative initiatives or programs that will advance new models for improving community health and health equity, particularly in low-income neighborhoods and which offers planning and implementation grants; and,

WHEREAS, the BUILD Health Challenge has allocated \$8.5 million for the grant program over two years; and,

WHEREAS, the Polk County Housing Trust Fund will be submitting an implementation grant application to the BUILD Health Challenge to aid in funding a proposed healthy homes repair and education program in the East Bank neighborhoods, which initiative will assist in implementing the above-referenced East Bank Neighborhood Plans; and,

WHEREAS, the Polk County Housing Trust Fund has requested a letter of support from the City of Des Moines.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute a letter of support or similar document, on behalf of the City, to provide support for the Polk County Housing Trust Fund's grant application to the BUILD Health Challenge for funding of a proposed healthy homes repair and education program in the East Bank neighborhoods.

(Council Communication No. 15-163)

Moved by Mahaffey to adopt.

FORM APPROVED:

Glenna K. Frank
Glenna K. Frank, Assistant City Attorney

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				✓
COLEMAN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
GRAY	✓			
HENSLEY	✓			
MAHAFFEY	✓			
MOORE	✓			
TOTAL	6			1

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

Christina L. Hensley Mayor

Diane Fauh City Clerk