



RESOLUTION #R-17-2020

A RESOLUTION OF ARANSAS COUNTY, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE DISPERSION OF CARES ACT HUMANITARIAN FUNDS

WHEREAS, the United States and the world has been severely impacted by the novel Corona virus, better known as COVID-19- Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020 the Governor of the State of Texas outlined procedures to take emergency actions to protect public health from COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 16th Aransas County acting in concert with the State of Texas and all local governments in our area jointly issued the initial declaration of emergency in an effort to lockdown and prevent the unnecessary spread and risk to citizens of the community from COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, in April 2020 Congress passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES ACT) designating funding for assisting with humanitarian needs caused by the Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Aransas County has been informed by the Texas Dept. of Emergency Management (TDEM) that an amount up to \$611,000 was designated by the State to assist Aransas County cope with the impacts of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Aransas County under guidance from the State of Texas may spend up to \$152,750.00 (or 25%) to alleviate the impacts of unemployment which may result from the conditions of COVID-19 for its local citizens and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner's Court finds this matter to be of an urgent nature and would support the immediate release of any available resources under the CARES ACT; and

WHEREAS, Aransas County Judge C.H. "Burt" Mills, Jr. has outlined a process that partners with local not-for profit agencies who are willing and available to provide responsible management over the available funding; and

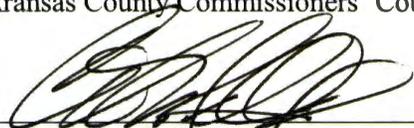
WHEREAS, Aransas County Judge C.H. "Burt" Mills, Jr. believes that County staff has vetted this process quickly and outlined a procedure of documentation that would comply with the guidance and provisions of the CARES Act;

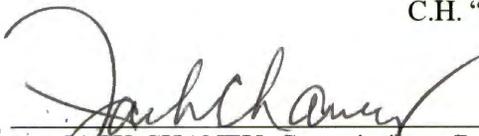
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

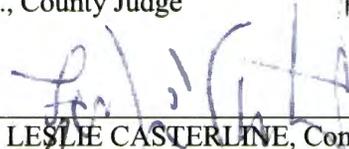
that Aransas County Judge C.H "Burt" Mills, Jr. has the support of the Aransas County Commissioner's Court to disperse up to \$142,500 for humanitarian purposes to **Hands of Hope, Good Samaritans, St. Vincent DePaul, and Children's Coalition.**

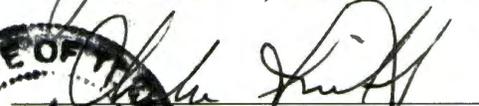
And, be it further resolved, that each Agency shall be sent an official award letter with detailed instructions and guidelines for the use of the funding from Judge Mills; and be it further resolved that County staff will also work diligently to provide any available funding to assist small businesses should additional funding be obtained from the One Star Foundation.

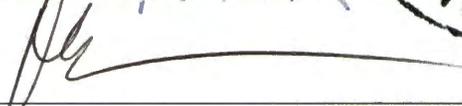
PASSED AND APPROVED by Aransas County Commissioners' Court on the 22nd day of June, 2020.


C.H. "BURT" MILLS, JR., County Judge


JACK CHANEY, Commissioner Pct. 1


LESLIE CASTERLINE, Commissioner Pct. 2


CHARLY SMITH, Commissioner Pct. 3


WENDY LAUBACH, Commissioner Pct. 4



ATTEST:

VALERIE K. AMASON, County Clerk