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COUNTY MANAGER: Bryan Thompson

RESOLUTION OF THE CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Adopting the Chatham County Nondiscrimination Policy, Chatham County Conflict of Interest Policy, and the Records Retention Policy for the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund and the American Rescue Plan Act

WHEREAS, Chatham County has received an allocation of funds from the "Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund" or "Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund" (together "CSLFRF funds"), established pursuant to Sections 602 and 603 of the Social Security Act, as added by Section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Pub. L. No. 117-2 (the "ARP/CSLFRF award"); and

WHEREAS, CSLFRF funds are subject to the U.S. Department of Treasury ("Treasury") regulations, including the Final Rule, the Award Terms and Conditions, and the Title VII implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 22; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the ARP/CSLFRF Award Terms and Conditions, and as a condition of receiving CSLFRF funds, Chatham County agrees to follow all federal statutes and regulations prohibiting discrimination in its administration of CSLFRF under the terms and conditions of the ARP/CSLFRF award, including, without limitation, the following:

Section 1. Nondiscrimination Policy including, without limitation, the following:

- a. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d et seq.) and Treasury's implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 22, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin within programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance.
- b. The Fair Housing Act, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§ 3601 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, familial status, or disability.
- c. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. § 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.
- d. The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 6101 et seq.), and Treasury's implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 23, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance.
- e. Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability under programs, activities, and services provided or made available by state and local governments or instrumentalities or agencies thereto.

Section 2. Conflicts of Interest.

a. The recipient understands and agrees it must maintain a conflict of interest policy consistent with 2 C.F.R. 200.318(c) and that such conflict of interest policy is applicable to each activity funded under this award. Recipient and subrecipients must disclose in writing to Treasury or the pass-through entity, as appropriate, any potential conflict of interest affecting the awarded funds in accordance with 2 C.F.R. 200.112.

Section 3. Records Retention Policy. Documents Created or Maintained Pursuant to the ARP/CSLFRF Award. Accordingly, Chatham County agrees to the following:

- a. Retain all financial and programmatic records related to the use and expenditure of CSLFRF pursuant to the ARP/CSLFRF award for a <u>period of five (5) years</u> after all CLFRF funds have been expended or returned to Treasury, whichever is later.
- b. Retain records for real property and equipment acquired with CSLFRF for five years after final disposition.
- c. Ensure that the financial and programmatic records retained sufficiently evidence compliance with section 603(c) of the Social Security Act "ARPA," Treasury's regulations implementing that section, and guidance issued by Treasury regarding the foregoing.
- d. Allow the Treasury Office of Inspector General and the Government Accountability Office, or their authorized representatives, the right of timely and unrestricted access to any records for the purpose of audits or other investigations.
- e. If any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the 5-year period, the records will be retained until all litigation, claims, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing board of Chatham County hereby adopts and enacts the following Nondiscrimination Policy, Conflicts of Interest Policy, and Records Retention Policy which shall apply to the operations of any program, activity, or facility that is supported in whole, or in part, by expenditures CSLFRF pursuant to the ARP/CSLFRF award.

Adopted, this the 17th day of March, 2025.

Karen Howard, Chair

ATTEST:

Jenifer K Johnson, Clerk to the Board