

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**Identifying City of Alexandria Priorities for Community Project Funding and Requesting Congressional Delegation Support**

WHEREAS the City of Alexandria is committed to addressing inequalities and needs that impact residents, businesses, workers, and visitors throughout our community, and;

WHEREAS the City of Alexandria invests significant City resources in addressing these inequalities and needs, including in the specific areas of housing security, protection and expansion of our affordable housing stock, business stability and recovery, workforce development, public health and safety, flood mitigation, and;

WHEREAS the United States Congress and the Executive Branch have identified numerous avenues for additional, significant, direct investment in communities as opportunities to create jobs, invest in both people and infrastructure, and work to address the ongoing needs of families, businesses, neighborhoods and communities across our country, and;

WHEREAS currently these funding opportunities include Community Project Funding in appropriations bills in Fiscal Year 2025 and;

WHEREAS this potential funding source presents a significant opportunity for the City to propose and request support from our Congressional delegation for critical projects in specific funding areas to benefit our residents, businesses, workers, and visitors, and;

WHEREAS the City of Alexandria has identified eight projects appropriate for funding through the Community Project Funding process, including:

- Re-employment and upskilling programs and services;
- Affordable housing preservation in Arlandria neighborhood;
- Flash flooding “spot improvement” project;
- Resiliency of City emergency shelter;
- Emergency communications interoperability;
- Historic preservation and interpretation at Freedom House;
- Technology to support violence intervention and crime prevention;
- Ewald Park improvements, and,

WHEREAS these projects are clear priorities for the City and address significant inequalities and recognized needs in the City of Alexandria in the areas of human services, community development, public health and safety, and infrastructure.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City Council of the City of Alexandria supports these local priorities and endorses them for consideration for federal funding opportunities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City Council of the City of Alexandria calls upon our Congressional delegation to support these local priorities in the areas of human services,

community development, public health and safety, and infrastructure and work to secure federal funding for these projects and programs.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the members of the Alexandria Congressional delegation – the Honorable Mark R. Warner, the Honorable Timothy M. Kaine, and the Honorable Donald S. Beyer, Jr.