RESOLUTION NO. T-2020-09-015R

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH CHAMPAIGN URBANA FRIENDS OF IMMIGRANTS AND REFUGEES (CU FAIR) FOR A SOCIAL SERVICE GRANT FOR FY 21

WHEREAS, Cunningham Township provides funding to local social service agencies who meet the needs of Urbana residents while extending the services of Township;

WHEREAS, on June 15, 2020, the Township Board of the Town of Cunningham approved the Town budget for fiscal year 2021, including \$50,000 in additional funding for social service grants; and

WHEREAS, Cunningham Township signed a grant agreement with Champaign Urbana Friends and Allies of Immigrants and Refugees (CU Fair) in fiscal year 2020 for \$7,500 towards an Administrative & Volunteer Coordinator and complied with all grant requirements; and

WHEREAS, CU Fair requested \$12,000 in funding for FY 2021, providing a complete application; WHEREAS, COVID-19 has disproportionately impacted local immigrant communities while

WHEREAS, During COVID-19 it is imperative that all families, regardless of immigration status, remain housed to prevent the spread of the virus locally; and

much of the federal COVID-19 relief has excluded immigrant families; and

WHEREAS, CU Fair's application meets 8 out of 9 criteria for Social Service Funding namely: Supports homeless/housing insecure, Assists residents who are food insecure, Creates paths to employment, Fills gaps in existing services, Reduces violence, harm, and discrimination against vulnerable populations, Provides tangible benefits to low-income residents and vulnerable populations, Supports youth safety and wellbeing, and Prioritizes services needed by township participants.

WHEREAS, The Township Supervisor recommends a Social Service Grant of \$10,000 for CU Fair FY 2021 to support an estimated 250 immigrant residents of Urbana; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Board of the Town of Cunningham that the Resolution authorizing the Township Supervisor to sign the attached agreement for a \$10,000 grant with CU Fair, and the Board authorizes the Supervisor of the Town of Cunningham to sign said agreements.

Approved this September 28, 2020 by the Township Board of the Town of Cunningham, Champaign County, State of Illinois.

Ayes:

Brown, Colbrook, Hursey, Laut, Miller, Roberts, Wu

Nays:

Phyllis D. Clark, Town Clerk

Diane Wolfe Marlin, hair