Township Council
1 Municipal Plaza
Bloomfield, NJ 07003

Louise M. Palagano
Municipal Clerk

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Meeting: 02/22/21 07:00 PM

2021 RESOLUTION APPROVAL

RESOLUTION CREATING A BLOOMFIELD PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL AFFAIRS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Township of Bloomfield wishes to lower financial barriers for its residents to enroll their children in Bloomfield Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs activities; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs **("Director")** has recommended a Financial Assistance Program be established to provide financial assistance to families who would not otherwise be able to afford to enroll their children in such activities; and

WHEREAS, the Bloomfield Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Department **(the "Department")** will solicit private donations from local civic organizations, businesses and other private donors to fund this program; and

WHEREAS, donations received for this program will be deposited into the Bloomfield Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs dedicated recreation fund and all donations will be earmarked as such; and

WHEREAS, Awards will be dependent upon the availability of funds and be awarded on a first come, first served basis; and

WHEREAS, to ensure funds are available throughout the entire calendar year, the total funds raised for the Financial Assistance Program Fund calendar year will be divided by four and 25% of those funds with be equally available for all four seasons (winter, spring, summer, fall); and

WHEREAS, the administrative staff of the Department will be responsible for determining the eligibility of each applicant based on the current criteria for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program for the Bloomfield Board of Education; and
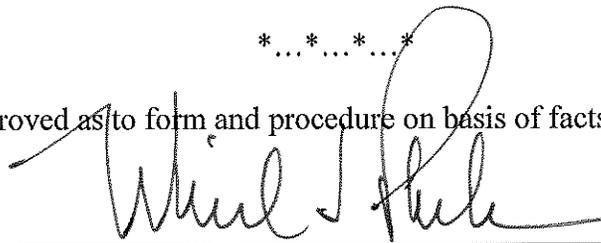
WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield believe it is in the best interests of its residents to establish a Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Financial Assistance Program.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield hereby establish a Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs Financial Assistance Program to be administered by the Director of the Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Director shall develop the necessary application, selection, funding and administrative procedures required to carry out the mission of this program.

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Approved as to form and procedure on basis of facts set forth.

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Director of Law-Township Attorney

I do hereby certify that the funding will be legally appropriated per the above information for the purpose specified in the attached contract. Furthermore, it has been represented to me that the contracts have been processed in accordance with the applicable provisions of New Jersey Local Public Contract Law and the Code of the Township of Bloomfield.

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Acting Chief Financial Officer

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield at a meeting of said Township Council held on February 22, 2021.

Municipal Clerk of the Township of Bloomfield

Mayor of the Township of Bloomfield

✓ Vote Record – Resolution			Yes/Aye	No/Nay	Abstain	Absent
☐ Adopt						
☐ Deny						
☐ Withdrawn	Jenny Mundell		☑	☐	☐	☐
☐ Table	Nicholas Joanow		☑	☐	☐	☐
☐ Not Discussed						
☐ First Reading	Sarah Cruz		☑	☐	☐	☐
☐ Table with no Vote	Wartyna Davis		☑	☐	☐	☐
☐ Approve	Ted Gamble		☑	☐	☐	☐
☐ Veto by Mayor						
☐ Discussion	Richard Rockwell		☑	☐	☐	☐
☐ Defeated	Michael J. Venezia		☑	☐	☐	☐
☐ Discussion No Vote						