RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Baldwin County Board of Commissioners is applying for the Georgia Initiative for Community Housing (GICH) designation, which offers communities in Georgia a three-year program of collaboration and technical assistance in addressing their housing and neighborhood revitalization needs; and

WHEREAS, as part of the Initiative, Baldwin County's Housing Plan is expected to be completed by the County's elected officials, various county staff members, appropriates staff members from other governmental entities, and participants in the scheduled public meetings retreats, as well as the continual involvement of a special cross-section of citizens who are appointed to and designated as the Baldwin County Housing Team; and

WHEREAS, travel to various meetings, including the spring and fall retreats, is a requirement of the Initiative, Baldwin County Housing Team appointees and the Baldwin County Board Commission recognize this commitment. In so doing, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners, will allocate at funds annually toward travel and other relevant expenses incurred as part of the Initiative; and

WHEREAS, benefits to the Baldwin County community resulting from the housing plan are expected to include maintenance and improvement of our quality of life, development of a vision that describes the future of this community, encourage of and support for quality housing development, and more specificity and certainty about where development will occur, what it will be like, when it happens, and how development costs will be handled; and

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners believed the Housing Team is very important to the overall process of developing the Housing Plan because it ensures that representative citizens from throughout the geographic area of Baldwin County and various segments of the community will come together to help create and exchange ideas and other information which is crucial to development of a quality Housing Plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Chairman and the Board of Commissioners that it endorses and endeavor to financially support the improvement of housing opportunities within Baldwin County by requesting the assistance of the Georgia Initiative for Community Housing program.

SO, RESOLVED this 6th day of July 2021.

Henry Craig, Chairman

Attest:

Cynthia K. Cunningham, County Clerk