## **RESOLUTION NO. 25-22**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CHIPLEY, FLORIDA, CERTIFYING, PURSUANT TO SECTION 220.183(3), FLORIDA STATUTES, THAT AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS CONSTRUCTED BY CHIPOLA AREA HABITAT FOR HUMANITY ARE CONSISTENT WITH LOCAL PLANS AND REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Washington County, Florida, has been documented as one of the least affordable counties in the nation for housing affordability and is experiencing a countywide affordable housing crisis; and

**WHEREAS**, to address this crisis, the City of Chipley has adopted numerous initiatives, including partnering with nonprofit organizations to construct affordable single-family housing; and

**WHEREAS,** in addition to their respective projects, the Nonprofits operate programs throughout the City of Chipley for building housing designed to offer homeownership opportunities to low-income residents of Chipley in an effort to eliminate substandard housing and develop a healthy, safe, and economically viable community ("Housing Programs"); and

WHEREAS, Chapter 220, Florida Statutes, provides corporate income tax credits such as the Community Contribution Tax Credit, as set out in Section 220.183, Florida Statutes, as an incentive to eligible sponsors to donate materials, real property, cash, or other physical resources to eligible projects for the construction of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the Nonprofits seek to submit applications to the State of Florida Department of Economic Opportunity ("DEO") to participate in the Community Contribution Tax Credit Program pursuant to Section 220.183, Florida Statutes, for their respective Projects and Housing Programs; and

WHEREAS, Section 220.183(3), Florida Statutes, requires that the Nonprofits submit with their applications to DEO a resolution adopted by the Council, certifying that their projects are consistent with local plans and regulations,

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHIPLEY AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated by reference herein.
- 2. In accordance with Section 220.183(3), Florida Statutes, the Council hereby certifies that the Nonprofits' Projects and Housing Programs are consistent with the City of Chipley's local plans and regulations.
- 3. The Nonprofits are authorized to file this Resolution in support of their applications to the DEO to participate in the Community Contribution Tax Credit Program for their respective Projects and Housing Programs.

- 4. This Resolution is in support of the Chipola Area Habitat for Humanity project located at 1182 East 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Chipley, Florida.
- 5. Severability. If any portion of this Resolution is determined by any court to be invalid, the invalid portion will be stricken, and such striking will not affect the validity of the remainder of this Resolution If any court determines that this Resolution, in whole or in part, cannot be legally applied to any individual, group, entity, property, or circumstance, such determination will not affect the applicability of this Resolution to any other individual, group, entity, property, or circumstance.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Chipley, Florida on this 11th day of February, 2025.

City of Chipley
Tracy L. Andrews, Mayor