AGREEMENT BETWEEN CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA AND TRUTH SPRING, INC. AND THE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

This Agreement (the "Agreement"), made and entered into this _____ day of _____, 2020 by and between the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia ("Columbus"), the Truth Spring, Inc. ("TSI") and the Development Authority of Columbus, Georgia ("DA");

RECITALS

Whereas, Columbus is a consolidated city-county government existing under the laws of the State of Georgia, and Bureau is a branch of Columbus created by ordinance and administered by its Board of Commissioners ("Board");

Whereas, the DA was established by Ordinance No. 72-76 to develop and promote for the public good and general welfare trade, commerce, industry and employment opportunities in the City of Columbus and members of the Board are appointed by the Mayor, with the consent of the Council of Columbus; and,

Whereas, TSI's mission is to rebuild the North Highland community with faith-based projects and strategies; and,

Whereas, the average household income of the North Highland area is \$19,374, well below the poverty level; and,

Whereas, Truth Springs Workforce Program's objective is to give every resident in North Highland the opportunity to engage in productive, meaningful work as they rebuild their own community with their own hands; and,

Whereas, the Truth Spring Workforce Program will provide a 1 year "pay to learn" program to include on-site GED classes offered by Columbus Technical College, workforce/trade development, financial training, and other training; and,

Whereas, Columbus desires to support the efforts of TSI in the redevelopment of the North Highland community and make an impact on the households in this area; and,

Whereas, the DA and Columbus wish to assist Truth Spring Workforce Program with terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

WITNESSETH:

In order to carry out the public purposes as set forth above, Columbus, TSI and DA hereby agree as follows:

- 1. The DA is funded by an Economic Development millage of .50 mills, .25 mills is a direct allocation to the DA and .25 mills is maintained by Columbus.
- 2. In its Budget for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021 (Fiscal Year 2021), Columbus will appropriate \$100,000 from the .25 mills maintained by Columbus which will be provided to the DA for TSI program funding.
- 3. The DA will provide the TSI \$100,000 in support of the Truth Spring Workforce Program.

Carrie Strickland Executive Director, Truth Springs, Inc. Isaiah Hugley City Manager

Date: _____

Date: _____

Development Authority of Columbus, Georgia

Russell D. Carreker, Chairman

Date: _____