

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2026-11**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LABELLE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING FULL FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, AND MAINTENANCE OF A COMMUNITY ARTISTIC FEATURE (CAF) TO BE LOCATED WITHIN THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RIGHT-OF-WAY BENEATH THE BRIDGE STREET BRIDGE ON DESOTO AVENUE; DESIGNATING THE MAYOR AS THE AUTHORIZED OFFICER TO EXECUTE THE CAF AGREEMENT WITH FDOT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the LaBelle Downtown Revitalization Corporation ("LDRC"), a nonprofit organization operating in LaBelle, Florida, has received grant funding for the design and installation of a Community Artistic Feature (CAF), specifically a mural, to be placed beneath the Bridge Street Bridge within the right-of-way of DeSoto Avenue, LaBelle, Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed mural is located within the right-of-way of the Florida Department of Transportation ("FDOT"), and FDOT requires that the CAF permit and agreement be executed by a local governmental entity; and

**WHEREAS**, FDOT requires that the local governmental entity provide a resolution confirming full financial responsibility for the design, construction, and maintenance of the CAF during its lifespan, and identifying the authorized officer empowered to execute the CAF agreement on behalf of the local governmental entity; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission has determined that the placement of the proposed mural is in the best interest of the public and consistent with the City's goals for community beautification and cultural heritage, and that the LDRC grant funds will cover the costs of design and construction.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LABELLE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. Financial Responsibility.** The City of LaBelle hereby accepts and assumes full financial responsibility for the design, construction, and maintenance of the Community Artistic Feature (CAF), specifically a mural, to be located beneath the Bridge Street Bridge within the right-of-way of DeSoto Avenue, LaBelle, Florida, for the duration of the CAF's lifespan. Design and construction costs shall be funded through grant funds received by the LaBelle Downtown Revitalization Corporation.

**Section 2. Authorized Signatory.** The Mayor of the City of LaBelle, Florida, currently Mayor Julie Wilkins, is hereby designated as the authorized officer with approval authority to execute the CAF Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation on behalf of the City of LaBelle, and to take all actions necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

**Section 3. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of LaBelle, Florida, at a regular meeting duly held on the 14th day of May, 2026.

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Julie C. Wilkins, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Tijauna Warner, MPA, MMC, Deputy City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:**

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Derek Rooney, Esq.  
City Attorney

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

**VOTE:**

Commissioner Holland	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Vice Mayor Ratica	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Commissioner Spratt	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Commissioner Vargas	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Mayor Wilkins	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)