Resolution Authorizing the Distribution of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding to Six Senior Centers in Livingston County – Board of Commissioners

WHEREAS,	Resolution 2022-12-192 outlined a plan for the strategic use and distribution of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding; and
WHEREAS,	a total of \$450,000 of ARPA funding was identified to support six (6) senior centers in Livingston County; and
WHEREAS,	the County's 2022-26 Strategic Plan includes the strategic goal of addressing the needs of an aging community ; and
WHEREAS,	residents aged 60 and older currently comprise 24% of Livingston County's population, and the 60 and older population is projected to increase by over 1,000 people each year; and
WHEREAS,	Livingston County currently has six (6) active senior centers providing varying degrees of service to our senior population; and
WHEREAS,	a long-standing goal of the Board-appointed Livingston Leadership Council on Aging is to ensure that all seniors in our County have access to quality services and programming through these senior centers; and
WHEREAS,	the Livingston Leadership Council on Aging met with representatives from all 6 senior centers to review the application process and assist with preparing the applications, which were due on February 8, 2023; and
WHEREAS,	representatives from the senior centers were given the opportunity to present their applications to the full Livingston Leadership Council on Aging on February 15, 2023, and make changes based on comments received; and
WHEREAS,	a final review of applications was completed by a Prioritization Committee consisting of 5 members appointed from the Livingston Leadership Council on Aging, which then made recommendations for funding; and
WHEREAS,	the senior centers provided documentation for estimated project costs which is attached to this resolution; and
WHEREAS,	prior to purchasing any supplies or equipment, the Livingston Leadership Council on Aging will work with County Administration to determine whether the County's cooperative purchasing agreements can be utilized to ensure the best value possible for the senior centers and taxpayers.
WHEREAS,	the six senior centers are requesting \$412,058 of the \$450,000 allocation for the purpose of improving service delivery to seniors; and
WHEREAS,	this is an eligible use of ARPA funding and will be listed under the <i>Expenditure Category: 2.37 Economic Impact Assistance</i> for federal reporting purposes.

- WHEREAS, the six senior centers' plans to use the ARPA funds are consistent with the goals set forth in the Board of Commissioners 2022-26 Strategic Plan to ensure maximum benefit to the citizens of Livingston County; and
- **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Livingston County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the distribution of \$412,058 in ARPA funds to the six (6) active Livingston County senior centers identified in Resolution 2022-12-192 as illustrated in the table below to support the provision of services by senior centers in our county.

Senior Center	Total
Brighton Senior Center	\$69,000
Fowlerville Senior Center	\$69,000
Hamburg Senior Center	\$69,000
Hartland Senior Center	\$67,058
Howell Senior Center	\$69,000
Putnam Township Senior Center	\$69,000
Totals	\$412,058

- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Commissioners will not authorize distribution of funds to a senior center until the senior center has adequately completed both a Hardship Questionnaire and a Beneficiary Agreement.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes payments to each of the senior centers in upon the satisfactory completion of both a Hardship Questionnaire and a Beneficiary Agreement.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chair of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners is authorized to sign all forms, assurances, contracts/agreements, and future amendments with contract language adjustments related to above upon review and/or preparation by Civil Counsel.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Commissioners authorizes any budget amendments needed to effectuate this project.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that from the date of approval of this resolution and until the project is completed, as outlined in Livingston County Resolution 2022-12-192, each senior center shall provide a written update on the status of the use of granted funds to the to the Finance and Asset Management Committee every three (3) months and each senior center shall present, in person,

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a report on the use of granted funds to the Finance and Asset Management Committee every six (6) months until 12/31/2025 or until all granted funds are expended.

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