

Resolution authorizing re-appropriations for unspent funds of the Homeowner HelpLine intervention and prevention program. (Treasurer) (\$71,500)

WHEREAS, the Homeowner HelpLine Program established in October 2008 using Delinquent Tax Assessment and Collection (DTAC) funds from the County Treasurer and Prosecutor as well as Economic Development funds; and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer, Prosecutor and the Board of Commissioners have worked to develop a comprehensive foreclosure intervention and prevention program addressing the various causes, impacts and needs resulting from the increase in home foreclosures in our community; and

WHEREAS, by this resolution the Treasurer's Office is requesting that a total of \$71,000 in unspent and lapsed DTAC funds originally allocated to the Homeowner HelpLine Program in 2008 and 2009 be re-appropriated to the program in 2010; and

WHEREAS, \$32,000 of the above mentioned funds were originally the Prosecutor's Office DTAC funds allocated for housing counseling which were transferred in 2009 to the Treasurer's Office and when unspent in 2009 went back into the Treasurer's DTAC Fund; and

WHEREAS, \$10,000 of the above mentioned treasurer's funds were allocated to the Homeowner HelpLine for housing counseling in 2008 and when unspent in 2009 went back into the Treasurer's DTAC Fund; and

WHEREAS, both the \$32,000 and \$10,000 for housing counseling needs to be allocated in 2010 in order to fulfill previously approved contracts. Per the agreement/contract the \$50,000 per agency (\$250,000 total) will be distributed in 2010; and

WHEREAS, \$29,500 of DTAC funds were allocated to the Homeowner HelpLine for public awareness to promote the program and was unspent in 2008; and

WHEREAS, this request of re-appropriations is not a request for additional funds to the original program budget; and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer is requesting re-appropriations in order to fulfill contract obligations and complete the final phase of this two year foreclosure intervention and prevention program; now therefore

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

That previously approved appropriations in the amounts of \$71,500 that were unspent in 2008 and 2009 from the DTAC fund, be re-appropriated to the Homeowner HelpLine fund and also approve the opening of attached purchase orders for housing counseling, and public awareness;

Treasurer/Delinquent Tax Collections/Materials & Services
Fund 2046, ORG 46421100, Project Code HHFOR Total: \$71,500

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