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Title: To authorize the Director of the Department of Development to enter into contract with IMPACT Community Action to support Operation Hope for veterans and their families; to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$100,000.00 from the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$100,000.00)

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into contract with IMPACT Community Action to support the Operation Hope program.

Operation Hope is a program for veterans and their families to assist them with identifying any and all barriers to self-sufficiency. Veterans and their families will work with a Family Development Specialist, complete a comprehensive assessment to evaluate barriers, and receive an Individual Goal Plan. Veterans and their families are then referred to various internal and external resources to begin to address the goals outlined for them.

This program will dovetail with the Better Municipal Care for Veterans Home Fund Created by City Council in 2012. The Better Municipal Care for Veterans Home Fund is another representation of City Council's commitment to serving the housing needs of our nation's heroes. Veterans who contact the City to determine eligibility for BMC Home Funds will be automatically referred to IMPACT from the City of Columbus' Housing Infrastructure Assistance Program.

This commitment of \$100,000 will enable 100 veterans and their families to receive comprehensive case management and access to additional supportive services.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$100,000 is available in the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund for this purpose.

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WHEREAS, this legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Development to enter into contract with IMPACT Community Action to support the Operation Hope program; and

WHEREAS, City Council is committed to helping the veterans who protected the very freedoms we enjoy; and

WHEREAS, Columbus is home to over 110,000 veterans, including men and women returning from ongoing missions overseas; and

WHEREAS, as a result of its ongoing commitment to veterans, City Council amended the 2014 Operating Budget to include \$100,000 for case management services for veterans and their families; and

WHEREAS, this program will dovetail with the Better Municipal Care for Veterans Home Fund created by City Council in 2012. The Better Municipal Care for Veterans Home Fund is another representation of City Council's commitment to serving the housing needs of our nation's heroes; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development, in that it is immediately necessary to enter into contract with IMPACT Community Action to allow the immediate implementation of Operation Hope thereby avoiding causing delays in the availability of this important service, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; **NOW THEREFORE**,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

Section 1. That the Director of the Department of Development is hereby authorized to contract with the IMPACT Community Action to support Operation Hope for veterans and their families.

Section 2. That the award of this contract meets the procurement provisions of Chapter 329.15 of the Columbus City Code, 1959.

Section 3. That from the unappropriated monies in the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund, Fund 018, and from all monies estimated to come into said Fund from any and all sources for the period ending December 31, 2014, the sum of \$100,000.00 is hereby appropriated to the Department of Development, Division 44-01, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 440118.

Section 4. That for the purpose as stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$100,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized from the Neighborhood Initiatives Fund, Fund 018, Department of Development, Division 44-01, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 440118.

Section 5. That all monies necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance are hereby appropriated.

Section 6. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.