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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the expenditure of \$122,489.17 from the Housing Preservation Fund to preserve the local supply of decent, safe, sanitary and affordable housing for low-income families. The Housing Preservation Fund represents the City's commitment to the preservation of housing units affordable to low and moderate income individuals. Funds will be used to provide eligible homeowners with assistance for home repairs through the Hilltop Home Repair, Roof Replacement, and Home Safe and Sound programs in order to preserve the housing stock and enable homeowners to remain in their homes.

Emergency action is requested to avoid interruptions in the delivery of vital program services.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$122,489.17 will be expended from the Housing Preservation Fund-2015 Capital Improvements Budget.

To authorize the expenditure of \$122,489.17 from the Housing Preservation Fund to provide eligible homeowners with assistance for home repairs through the Hilltop Home Repair, Roof Replacement and Home Safe and Sound programs; and to declare an emergency. (\$122,489.17)

WHEREAS, it is necessary to expend funds from the Housing Preservation Fund to preserve the local supply of decent, safe, sanitary and affordable housing for low and moderate income families; and

WHEREAS, funds will be used to provide eligible homeowners with assistance for home repairs through the Hilltop Home Repair, Roof Replacement, and Home Safe and Sound programs in order to preserve the housing stock and enable homeowners to remain in their homes; and

WHEREAS, emergency action is necessary to avoid interruptions in the delivery of vital program services; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Development, Housing Division, in that it is immediately necessary to expend the aforementioned funds, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; and **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 make financial assistance available from Housing Preservation Fund 782 administered by the Housing Division and awarded as grants to homeowners for home repairs.

SECTION 2. That for the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$122,489.17 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized to be expended from the Housing Preservation Fund as follows:

Fund / Project / Project Name / O.L. 01-03 Codes / OCA / Amount

782 / 782001-100002 / Roof Repair Program / 06-6617 / 784402 / \$20,789.00
782 / 782001-100008 / Hilltop Home Repair / 06-6616 / 782008 / \$29,470.00
782 / 782002-100000 / Home Safe and Sound Program / 06-6617 / 782002 / \$72,230.17

SECTION 3. Those expenditures of capital improvements budget funds from this authorization will be in accordance with U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Regulations 24 CFR Part 570.200-206, CDBG Eligibility, to ensure consistency of housing programs and income eligibility for all programs as administered by the Housing Division.

SECTION 4. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 5. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this ordinance.

SECTION 6. That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer the unencumbered balance in a project account to the unallocated balance account within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the Director of the Department administrating said project that the project has been completed and the monies are no longer required for said project.

SECTION 7. That in the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part thereof, this Ordinance is 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.