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BACKGROUND: Columbus Public Health has been awarded a grant from the Franklin County Board of Health. This ordinance is needed to accept and appropriate $97,537.00 in grant money to fund the Health Literacy Grant Program, for the period July 13, 2021 through June 30, 2022. The Health Literacy Grant Program is an initiative to identify and implement best practices for improving health literacy to enhance COVID-19 vaccination and other mitigation practices among underserved populations.

FISCAL IMPACT: The Health Literacy Grant Program is entirely funded by the grant from the Franklin County Board of Health and does not generate revenue or require a City Match.

To authorize and direct the Board of Health to accept a grant from the Franklin County Board of Health in the amount of $97,537.00 for the Health Literacy Grant Program, to authorize the appropriation of $97,537.00 from the unappropriated balance of the Health Department Grants Fund; and to declare an emergency. ($97,537.00)

WHEREAS, $97,537.00 in grant funds have been made available through the Franklin County Board of Health for the Health Literacy Grant Program for the period of July 13, 2021 through June 30, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to accept and appropriate these funds from the Franklin County Board of Health for the continued support of the Health Literacy Grant Program; and,

WHEREAS, this ordinance is submitted as an emergency so as to allow the financial transaction to be posted in the City's accounting system as soon as possible. Up to date financial posting promotes accurate accounting and financial management; and,

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of Columbus Public Health in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Board of Health to accept these grant funds from the Franklin County Board of Health and to appropriate these funds to Columbus Public Health for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare, and to avoid delay in client services; Now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the Board of Health is hereby authorized and directed to accept a grant award of $97,537.00 from the Franklin County Board of Health for the Health Literacy Grant Program for the period July 13, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

SECTION 2. That from the unappropriated monies in the Health Department's Grants Fund, Fund No. 2251, and from all monies estimated to come into said Fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the grant period, the sum of $97,537.00 is appropriated upon receipt of an executed grant agreement and any eligible interest earned during the grant period is hereby appropriated to the Health Department, Division No. 5001, according to the attached accounting document.

SECTION 3. That the monies appropriated in the foregoing Section 2 shall be paid upon the order of the Health

Commissioner and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except upon voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

SECTION 4. At the end of the grant period, any repayment of unencumbered balances required by the grantor is hereby authorized and any unused City match monies may be transferred back to the City fund from which they originated in accordance with all applicable grant agreements.

SECTION 5. 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 6. That for 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.