

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY: Your County Personnel and Human Services Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Berrien County Health Department (BCHD) has maintained and operated a Farmers Market in Benton Harbor for many years with a mission to expand residents' access to fresh and local fruits and vegetables; and

WHEREAS, the BCHD was awarded \$2,880 from the United Way of Southwest Michigan to support their efforts with the Farmers Market in Benton Harbor; and

WHEREAS, a BCHD staff person will manage the on-site operations of the Benton Harbor Farmers Market; and

WHEREAS, the scope of work includes operating the Benton Harbor Farmers Market, it's acceptance of food assistance benefit programs, and creating a safe environment for all; and

WHEREAS, the funds are to be used for salaries, wages, and benefits for said employee, necessary supplies and materials to meet the scope of work; and necessary indirect costs to continue the Farmers Market program at the Benton Harbor Farmers Market during the 2021 - 2022 summer season; and

WHEREAS, a contractual agreement between Berrien County and United Way for this grant award is from July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Health endorses this resolution, pending approval of Corporate Counsel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Berrien County Board of Commissioners accept this grant award from the United Way of Southwest Michigan to assist with the operation of the Benton Harbor Farmers Market and authorizes the Chairperson to execute said agreement.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
BERRIEN COUNTY PERSONNEL AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Robert P. Harrison, Chairperson

Michael J. Majerek, Vice Chairperson

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RESOLUTION APPROVED AS TO FORM	
Administrator <u>[Signature]</u>	Date <u>5-5-21</u>
Comments Attached _____	
Corporate Counsel _____	Date _____
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