TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY: Your County Finance Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of the following:

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Berrien County Land Bank Authority is committed to returning properties back to productive re-use and eliminating the negative effects of blight and abandonment throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, PA 166 of 2022, Section 1094f(2), appropriated funds to the State Land Bank Authority for Blight Elimination Program grants; and

WHEREAS, the Berrien County Land Bank Authority is eligible to apply for \$200,000 for eligible blight elimination activities; and

WHEREAS, eligible activities include the removal of hazardous materials, the preparation of due care demolition plans and the demolition of blighted structures on Land Bank or other publically owned properties.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Berrien County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Community Development Department, on behalf of the Land Bank Authority, to prepare and submit the application to the State Land Bank Authority's Blight Elimination Program.

Respectfully submitted, BERRIEN COUNTY FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mamie L. Yarbrough, Chairperson

Teri Sue Freehling

Rayonte D. Bell

RESOLUTION APPROVED AS TO FORM

Administrator Date 1-18-23

Comments Attached

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