RESOLUTION NO. 2097

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE RICHMOND HOUSING AUTHORITY (RHA) AND THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CONTRA COSTA COUNTY (HACCC) FOR THE TRANSFER OF RHA'S HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER (HCV) PROGRAM TO HACCC AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE THE FINAL FORM OF THE MOU AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS AND AGREEMENTS NECESSARY TO TRANSFER THE HCV PROGRAM TO HACCC

WHEREAS, the Richmond Housing Authority (RHA – CA010), as a public housing agency (PHA), receives an allocation of 2,004 Housing Choice Vouchers through the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) pursuant to Section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C SS 1437 et seq.) and its implementing regulations (24 C.F.R., part 982), as set forth in the Housing Authority’s Consolidation Annual Contributions contract; and

WHEREAS, due to diminishing operational issues and funding allocations, administration of the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program by RHA has become infeasible; and

WHEREAS, HUD has issued policies (Notice PIH 2018-12) that authorize one Public Housing Authority (PHA) to voluntarily transfer the total budget authority and corresponding baseline units for its Housing Choice Voucher Program to another PHA, subject to approval by HUD; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of Contra Costa County (HACCC – CA011) operates as a PHA and presently administers a Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program in Contra Costa County (CCC); and

WHEREAS, HACCC has the expertise and capability to effectively administer the Section 8 HCV program and it would be advantageous to have the HACCC administer the RHA’s HCV program as Richmond HCV program participants could benefit from more responsiveness to issues and concerns, and could have access to more housing options; and

WHEREAS, Richmond, California is located in CCC; and

WHEREAS, on December 4, 2018, the Richmond Housing Authority Board of Commissioners directed staff to transition RHA’s Section 8 program to a well-managed housing authority and to reposition RHA’s public housing assets; and

WHEREAS, on February 5, 2019, the RHA Board authorized the transfer of the Housing Choice Voucher Section 8 program to the HACCC; and

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2019, the HACCC Board approved the transfer of the RHA HCV Section 8 program to HACCC; and

WHEREAS, on April 16, 2019, HUD approved the transfer of the HCV Program units and the associated budget authority from RHA to the HACCC and HUD assigned July 1, 2019, as the effective date of the transfer and determined that the transfer will be in the best interest of the program participants; and

WHEREAS, RHA and HACCC have assured to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding providing for the administration of the Section 8 HCV Program in CCC by the HACCC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Commissioners of the Richmond Housing Authority that it approves a Memorandum of Understanding between the Richmond Housing Authority and the Housing Authority of the Contra Costa County for the transfer of
RHA's Housing Choice Voucher program to HACCC and authorizes the Executive Director to negotiate and execute the final form of the MOU and any other documents and agreements necessary to transfer the HCV program.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Executive Director is authorized to take any and all action necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

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I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Richmond Housing Authority Board of Commissioners at a special meeting held on June 18, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Bates, Johnson, Martinez, Myrick, Willis, Vice Chairperson Choi, Chairperson Butt, and Housing Authority Tenant Commissioners Scott and Smith.

NOES: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None.

ABSENT: None.

TOM BUTT
Chairperson

[SEAL]

ATTEST:

PAMELA CHRISTIAN
Secretary

Approved as to form:

BRUCE GOODMILLER
Attorney

State of California }
County of Contra Costa ; ss.
City of Richmond }

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of Resolution No. 2097, finally passed and adopted at a special Housing Authority Meeting held on June 18, 2019.

CLERK OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY