TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2677.20

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND (LETF) MONIES TO MAKE A \$500 CONTRIBUTION TO THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town desires to make a \$500 contribution to the American Heart Association ("AHA") to build healthier lives, free of cardiovascular diseases; and

WHEREAS, the AHA's mission is to fight America's number 1 killer – cardiovascular disease, with a new initiative created to highlight the efforts of South Florida's first responders in lieu of the global health crisis and the health risks they face while they continue to serve our communities; and

WHEREAS, the Town's LETF account includes assets forfeited to the Town by authority of the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act and by the Federal Asset Forfeiture Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to utilize LETF funds to pay for this contribution; and

WHEREAS, the monies contained in the LETF are the result of seized assets from both investigations by the Town's Police Department and joint investigations with other law enforcement agencies – not from tax revenue; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has recommended that the \$500 cost be taken from the Town's LETF for "other law enforcement purposes" specifically authorized by law; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police certifies that this expenditure complies with § 932.7055, Florida Statutes, and / or the Federal Seizure statutes in that the funds will be used for an appropriate law enforcement purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police certifies that the Town's LETF is not being used as a normal source of revenue for the Town Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police certifies that the Town's LETF was not considered in the adoption and approval of the Police Department budget; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds that it is in the best interest of the Town to proceed as indicated in this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1.</u> <u>Recitals Adopted.</u> That each of the above-stated recitals is hereby adopted and confirmed.

Section 2. \$500 Contribution to AHA is Authorized. That the contribution of \$500 to AHA and the use of LETF funds to make the contribution are hereby authorized and approved.

Section 3. Implementation. That the Mayor and Town Manager are authorized to take any and all action which is necessary to implement this Resolution.

Section 4. Effective Date. That this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Sponsored by **Town Administration**.

The Motion to adopt the foregoing Resolution was offered by Vice Mayor Einstein, seconded by Councilmember Mendal and on roll call the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer

Aye

Vice Mayor Bernard Einstein

Aye

Councilmember Judy Lusskin

Absent

Councilmember Jaime Mendal

Aye

Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein

Aye

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach, Florida,

this 26th day of May, 2020.

ATTEST:

TOWN CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

STEPHEN J. HELFMAN

TOWN ATTORNEY