

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Board of Directors, Buffalo Erie Niagara Land Improvement Corporation

**FROM:** Brendan Mehaffy, Chairperson

**SUBJECT:** **Resolution #2022-18** - Accept Grant – NYS HCR Land Bank Initiative Phase I

**DATE:** August 18, 2022

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DISCUSSION:

New York State Homes and Community Renewal (NYS HCR) has awarded The Buffalo Erie Niagara Land Improvement Corporation (“BENLIC”) a Land Bank Initiative Phase I grant in the amount of \$200,000. An additional “Phase II” grant program will be released by NYS HCR to fund additional Land Bank activities in the future.

The BENLIC Board of Directors wishes to accept and implement the NYS HCR Land Bank Initiative grant.

ACTION:

The Board of Directors is hereby requested to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, the Executive Director of the Corporation is authorized, directed and empowered to execute and deliver in the name of the Corporation such documents as the Board of Directors of the Corporation may approve, including without limitation: contracts, indemnities, disclosure agreements, receipts, instructions, certificates, authorizations, acknowledgements and other documents relating the HCR Land Bank Initiative (collectively known as the “Documents”) such approval to be conclusively (but not exclusively evidenced) by their execution thereof, and be it further;

RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the Corporation are authorized to make such changes to the Documents on behalf of the Land Bank, as they may approve, such approval to be conclusively (but not exclusively) evidenced by any of their execution thereof, and be it further;

RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of the Corporation is hereby authorized to take such further action (including, without limitation, the payment of costs, fees, expenses, and other amounts), on behalf of the Corporation, as they deem appropriate to consummate the Land Bank Initiative Documents or perform the Corporation’s obligations under any of the Documents, and be it further;

RESOLVED, if titles and/or dates and parties to the Documents change, no change to such titles, dates or parties shall affect the authority conferred hereunder, and be it further;

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.