A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN APPROVING THE ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE AND AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF THE ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD).

WHEREAS, the City of Allentown receives funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and pursuant to 24 CFR § 91.225, and as a condition to receiving funds, the City of Allentown annually certifies that it will affirmatively further fair housing; and

WHEREAS, such certification serves as the City's acknowledgment that it accepts the obligation to promote fair housing within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the City carries out its certification by implementing a process to address the following three (3) components of the certification: 1) Conducting an analysis to identify impediments to fair housing choice within the jurisdiction; 2) Taking appropriate action to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through that analysis; and 3) Maintaining records reflecting the analysis and actions in this regard; and

WHEREAS, the City, in conjunction with the Cities of Bethlehem and Easton, and Northampton County, have prepared the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice; and

WHEREAS, drafts of the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) was on public display from Tuesday May 25, 2021 through Friday, June 25, 2021, the City held a series of public meetings on the said AI and the comments of various agencies, groups, and citizens were taken into consideration in the preparation of the final document; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to confirm its continuing commitment to affirmatively furthering fair housing choice in the City of Allentown, which includes a commitment to and the requirement to equally enforce all zoning and other laws regarding accessibility of housing in its jurisdiction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN, LEHIGH COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AS FOLLOWS:

That the City Council hereby approves and adopts the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice for the City of Allentown, Pennsylvania and confirms the City's continued commitment to affirmatively further fair housing through the following activities:

SECTION 1. That the City of Allentown has conducted an Analysis of Impediment to Fair Housing Choice within its jurisdiction; and

SECTION 2. That the City of Allentown will take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through the Analysis; and

SECTION 3. That the Administrator, on behalf of the City of Allentown, Pennsylvania, is authorized to file the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

ADOPTED INTO A RESOLUTION THIS 4TH DAY OF AUGUST 2021 BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN, PA.

ATTEST:

ALLENTOWN CITY COUNCIL

City Clerk

VI. Certifications

City of Allentown Signature Page:

I hereby certify that this FY 2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice is in compliance with the intent and directives of the Community Development Block Grant Program regulations.

Ray O'Connell, Mayor, City of Allentown, PA

Date