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WHEREAS, the United States Congress has passed the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 (Public Law 88-578) authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to provide financial assistance to states, and political subdivisions thereof, for outdoor recreation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Legislature has approved the Park and Wildlife Code, Section 131.309 authorizing the State of Texas, and its political subdivisions, to participate in the Federal program established under said Public Law 88-578, or such other programs as are hereinafter established by the Federal Government; and

WHEREAS, the City of Dallas is fully eligible to receive assistance under these programs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Dallas 2017 Bond Program has set aside some funding for this park; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is desirous of authorizing an official to represent and act for the applicant in dealing with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department concerning these programs.

Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That the City of Dallas, Texas hereby certifies that it is eligible to receive assistance under these programs, and that notice of the application will be posted according to local public hearing requirements.

SECTION 2. That the City of Dallas, Texas hereby certifies that the matching share for this application is, at this time, through \$6,000,000.00 from the 2017 Bond Program.

SECTION 3. That the City of Dallas, Texas hereby authorizes and directs the Dallas Park and Recreation Department to act for the City of Dallas in dealing with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for the purposes of the program, and that the Director or his or her designee is hereby officially designated as the representative in this regard.

SECTION 4. That the City of Dallas, Texas hereby specifically authorizes the Park and Recreation Department to make application to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership grant program to facilitate acquisition of one parcel of land of approximately 4.13 acres in the City's International District (informally known as the Valley View-Galleria area).

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SECTION 5. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to apply for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Grant Program in an amount of up to \$10,000,000.00 to help establish a new central park in the City's International District (informally known as the Valley View-Galleria area) in north Dallas and to execute any and all documents required by the grant, approved as to form by the City Attorney.

SECTION 6. That the subject property is one of the four remaining parcels needed to be acquired by the City of Dallas, Texas in order to fully assemble the approximately 20-acre central park (informally known as "Midtown Park" or "Midtown Commons") as envisioned in the City's Valley View-Galleria Area Plan.

SECTION 7. That, upon acquisition, the subject property shall be used as a park site and is hereby dedicated for public park and recreation purposes in perpetuity.

SECTION 8. That it is the intent of the City Council of the City of Dallas, Texas that these funds required to acquire the subject property for a new, central park within the International District be appropriated and funded as needed.

SECTION 9. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to reimburse the granting agency any expenditure identified as ineligible. The City Manager shall notify the appropriate City Council Committee of expenditures identified as ineligible not later than 30 days after the reimbursement.

SECTION 10. That the City Manager shall keep the appropriate City Council Committee informed of all final granting agency monitoring reports not later than 30 days after the receipt of the report.

SECTION 11. That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.