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WHEREAS, the City recognizes its role in both supporting employment opportunities for its residents and cultivating a qualified local workforce that is able to meet the demands of the City's growth industries and employers; and

WHEREAS, on June 23, 2021, City Council authorized the acceptance of American Rescue Plan Act funds (ARPA funds) from the U.S. Department of Treasury for the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund to provide relief during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic by Resolution No. 21-1149; and

WHEREAS, on August 18, 2021, City Council was briefed on allocation of funds from the American Rescue Plan Act, including allocation of \$500,000.00 for one (1) or more recipient(s) to serve as subrecipient(s) in administering Upskilling Dallas Program(s) to mitigate the negative financial impact from the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on September 22, 2021, City Council authorized the final reading and adoption of the appropriation ordinance for the FY 2021-22 City of Dallas Operating, Capital, and Grant & Trust Budgets, which included the ARPA funds from the Treasury for the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, by Resolution No. 21-1590; and

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2023, the City issued a Request for Competitive Sealed Proposals (Solicitation No. BIZ22-00019143) for administering program(s) that provide certified skills training, workforce training, and/or education for employment opportunities in regional high-demand industries to re-skill or up-skill City residents that have been financially impacted by COVID-19 and who are members of low- and moderate-income households in accordance with the American Rescue Plan Act, Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, codified as Social Security Act §§ 602 and 603 (the Act) and SLFR regulations; and

WHEREAS, Dallas College and Dallas County Mental Health and Mental Retardation Center dba Metrocare, each of which operate as a unit of local government, have each submitted a proposal in response to the RFCSP to, in accordance with the Act and SLFR Regulations, administer an Upskilling Dallas Program in the City of Dallas to re-skill or up-skill City residents who have been disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and who are members of low- and moderate-income households by providing such participants with opportunities to attain new skills in Targeted Industries (defined herein); and

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WHEREAS, the Dallas City Council seeks to authorize: (1) the Upskilling Dallas Program in the City of Dallas to re-skill or up-skill City residents who have been disproportionately impacted by COVID-19 and are members of an eligible low- or moderate-income household; (2) the City Manager to execute interlocal agreements for a term of two years, each approved as to form by the City Attorney, with Dallas College and Dallas County Mental Health and Mental Retardation Center dba Metrocare Services for an amount not to exceed \$125,000 per year, for a total not to exceed amount of \$250,000 (subject to annual appropriations), respectively; and (3) the allocation of funds for the Upskilling Dallas Program(s) in a total amount not to exceed \$500,000; and

WHEREAS, the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code provides authorization for any local government to contract with a state agency, as defined by Section 771.002, to perform governmental functions and services; and

WHEREAS, the City Council seeks to timely and fully expend the ARPA Coronavirus State Local Fiscal Recovery Fund awarded to the City by Treasury; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City to enter into interlocal agreements to promote the continuation and stabilization of Dallas Upskilling Programs(s), thereby supporting employment opportunities for its residents and cultivating a qualified local workforce that is able to meet the demands of the City's growth industries and current and potential employers.

Now, Therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the City Manager or his or her designees is authorized to establish the Upskilling Dallas Program in the City of Dallas to re-skill or up-skill City residents who have been disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and are members of an eligible low- or moderate-income household, as provided in the program statement.

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SECTION 2. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to (a) execute an interlocal agreement for a term of two years, approved as to form by the City Attorney, with Dallas College (VS0000065958) in a total amount not to exceed \$250,000 (the subaward); and (b) execute an interlocal agreement for a term of two years, approved as to form by the City Attorney, with Dallas County Mental Health and Mental Retardation Center dba Metrocare Services (VS0000048211) in an amount not to exceed \$250,000, each for upskilling services for eligible participants in connection with the Upskilling Dallas Program. Each of the interlocal agreements shall provide for, among other terms and conditions, the following:

- a. Commencement on March 8, 2023 and expiration on March 7, 2025. The interlocal agreements may be amended only upon written agreement signed by the parties;
- b. The services are to be paid by the City on a reimbursement basis for actual and allowable expenses incurred, with administrative expenses not to exceed 10 percent of each subaward amount; and
- c. Compliance with the Act and all other federal statutes, regulations, and executive orders applicable to a non-Federal entity, subaward, and subrecipient, including but not limited to:
 - i. section 602 of the Act, regulations adopted by Treasury pursuant to section 602(f) of the Act, and guidance issued by Treasury regarding the foregoing; and
 - ii. 31 CFR Part 35, as amended, and 2 CFR Part 200, as amended.

SECTION 3. That the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to disburse funds in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 for fiscal year 2023 and \$125,000 for fiscal year 2024, for a total not to exceed amount of \$250,000 (subject to annual appropriations) to Dallas College from the American Rescue Plan Act in Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, Fund FC18, Department MGT, Unit 8031, Object 3099 for Service Contract No. SBC-2022-00019143.

SECTION 4. That the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to disburse funds in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 for fiscal year 2023 and \$125,000 for fiscal year 2024, for a total not to exceed amount of \$250,000 (subject to annual appropriations) to Dallas County Mental Health and Mental Retardation Center dba Metrocare Services from the American Rescue Plan Act in Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, Fund FC18, Department MGT, Unit 8031, Object 3099 for Service Contract No. SBC-2022-00019143.

SECTION 5. 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.