RESOLUTION NO. 19-08-58

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS, FLORIDA
AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE CDBG-DR HURRICANE IRMA VOLUNTARY HOME BUYOUT PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO SIGN THE APPLICATION, CERTIFICATIONS, AND ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Village Council of Islamorada, Village of Islands (the “Village Council”) is committed to assisting its residents to receive all available recovery assistance for which they are eligible; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) Office of Disaster Recovery (ODR) is the administrator of a Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) program, the Voluntary Home Buyout Program (the “Program”), with a ten million dollar set aside for Monroe County, funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban development (HUD) under Public Laws 115-56 and 115-123; and

WHEREAS, the Program funds must be used for disaster-related expenses in the most impacted and distressed areas, for low-modern-income households, with a focus on those households with persons over the age of 62, households with persons under the age of 18, household with persons with a disability and households with no flood insurance at the time of Hurricane Irma; and

WHEREAS, through the Program, eligible owners of homes deemed substantially damaged by the impacts of Hurricane Irma may apply to the local government; and

WHEREAS, in order to serve any owner of property in Islamorada, the Village must apply for the CDBG-DR Voluntary Home Buyout Program and become the subrecipient of the grant; and
WHEREAS, through the Program, the homeowner would receive pre-storm fair market value of their home less any dollars already received post-storm, and the municipality would receive all project costs including, but not limited to, demolition of the structures on the property; and

WHEREAS, if the application is granted for the Program, the Village would purchase and demolish the home with Program funding and limit the use of the property in perpetuity to open space, conservation, recreation or stormwater systems; and

WHEREAS, a requirement of the application is the adoption of a resolution authorizing the application submission; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council finds that the submittal of an application for the CDBG-DR Voluntary Home Buyout Program in the best interest of the Village.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The foregoing Recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Approval of Participation. The Village Council of Islamorada, Village of Islands hereby approves the Village’s participation in the Program and authorizes the Village Manager to direct Village staff to complete all steps of the application to participate in the CDBG-DR Voluntary Home Buyout Program.

Section 3. Authorization to Village Officials. The Village Manager or designee and Village Attorney are authorized to execute all documents required for participation in the CDBG-DR Voluntary Home Buyout Program.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.
Motion to adopt by Councilman Ken Davis, second by Councilman Jim Mooney.

FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION
VILLAGE COUNCIL OF ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS

Mayor Deb Gillis YES
Vice Mayor Mike Forster YES
Councilman Ken Davis YES
Councilwoman Cheryl Meads ABSENT
Councilman James Mooney YES

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 8TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2019.

DEB GILLIS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

KELLY TOOTH, VILLAGE CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY FOR THE USE AND BENEFIT OF ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS ONLY:

ROGET V. BRYAN, VILLAGE ATTORNEY