## RESOLUTION REQUESTING STAFF TO INVESTIGATE AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPTIONS

WHEREAS, the Town of James Island will be receiving over \$3 million dollars in federal relief funds through the American Rescue Plan Act; and

WHEREAS, while the Town has designated these funds to go towards drainage relief and water quality projects, these funds free up other previously obligated funds within the Town's capital improvement plan; and

WHEREAS, James Island has a critical need for more quality affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, there already exist housing stock on James Island that is vacant and/or dilapidated that currently is a detriment to the community and could be an asset; and

WHEREAS, Charleston County has agreed to buy 18 homes previously owned by the Charleston County Redevelopment and Housing Authority to renovate and turn over to housing groups to manage for the betterment of the community: and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of James Island Town Council requests Town Staff to investigate similar programs the Town could initiate, either through a partnership with Charleston County or through other means.

Adopted this 20th of January, 2022

Bill Woolsey

Mayor

**ATTEST** 

Frances Simmons

Town Clerk