

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE
BRIDGES RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM APPLICATION
THROUGH MINNESOTA HOUSING**

WHEREAS, the Mankato Economic Development Authority (EDA) wishes to increase the supply of affordable housing available to low income households with mental illness live successfully in community settings through the Minnesota Housing Bridges program.

WHEREAS, the EDA desires to encourage and promote coordination and leveraging of resources with local mental health initiatives.

WHEREAS, Minnesota Housing, a public body corporate and politic of the State of Minnesota, in partnership with the Minnesota Department of Human Services, is accepting applications for the Bridges and Bridges Regional Treatment Center (RTC) Rental Assistance Programs Request for Proposals (RFP).

WHEREAS, The Mankato EDA requests twenty-five (25) Bridges vouchers to provide rental assistance for people with very low incomes and a mental illness who are waiting for a housing choice voucher (HCV) or another permanent housing option.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mankato EDA authorizes the submission of the Bridges Rental Assistance Program application through the Minnesota Housing in partnership with the Blue Earth County EDA. The Mankato EDA will comply with all requirements imposed by regulations of MN Housing for the administration of the program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Susan MH Arntz, the Executive Director, and or Nicole Cunningham, the Housing Coordinator of the Mankato EDA, are authorized, on behalf of the Mankato EDA at any time hereafter and without further action by or authority or direction from the members of the Mankato EDA, to execute and deliver to Minnesota Housing, in the forms required by the agency, the Grant Agreement and all other agreements, instruments, certificates and documents required by Minnesota Housing, and to do or cause to be done all other acts and things that the officers may determine to be necessary or advisable under or in connection with the Grant, and that the execution by the Officers of any agreement, instrument, certificate or document, or the doing of any such act or thing, shall be conclusive evidence of their determination in that respect.

This resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage.

Adopted this 12th day of November 2024.

Najwa Massad, Board Chair

Attest: _____
Susan MH Arntz, Executive Director