

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT TO SUPPORT
REGIONAL HOUSING COLLABORATION
AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF HOUSING PROGRAMS**

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Authority of Mankato (the “EDA”) is committed to supporting access to safe, stable, and affordable housing for residents of the community; and

WHEREAS, the EDA recognizes that housing challenges extend beyond jurisdictional boundaries and require coordinated regional collaboration to effectively address homelessness, housing instability, and affordability; and

WHEREAS, the EDA desires to formalize and strengthen regional housing coordination efforts through an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Economic Development Authority of Blue Earth County to align housing resources, programs, and services; and

WHEREAS, the Intergovernmental Agreement establishes a unified framework for collaboration, including coordination of the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, the Housing Choice Voucher Program, and the Bring It Home Rental Assistance Program, and supports a comprehensive housing continuum addressing homelessness response, rental assistance, and housing development; and

WHEREAS, entering into the Intergovernmental Agreement will enhance the EDA’s ability to deliver housing programs efficiently, reduce duplication of services, and improve housing outcomes across the region;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Economic Development Authority of Mankato hereby:

1. Authorizes and directs the Executive Director to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Economic Development Authority of Mankato and the Blue Earth County Economic Development Authority, and any related documents necessary to implement the Agreement.
2. Further authorizes the Executive Director to take all actions necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution, including the administration of programs, execution of amendments consistent with the Agreement, and compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local requirements.

Adopted on this 11th day of May 2026.

Najwa Massad, Board Chair

ATTEST:

Susan MH Arntz, Executive Director