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RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT FUNDING FROM THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION, THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, AND THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FOR THE SHORELINE GREENWAY TRAIL AND ACQUIRE PROPERTY INTERESTS REQUIRED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SHORELINE GREENWAY TRAIL.

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WHEREAS, the United States Congress Congressionally Directed Spending Program and the CT State Bond Commission have offered the City of New Haven grants to support the construction of the New Haven Shoreline Greenway;

WHEREAS, the New Haven Shoreline Greenway would connect the Farmington Canal Greenway to the Shoreline Greenway Trail;

WHEREAS, the project will provide active transportation infrastructure to connect the East Shore to its parks and the greater City's active transportation network;

WHEREAS, the project will increase pedestrian and active transportation safety by improving infrastructure for these vulnerable users; and

WHEREAS, the concept of the New Haven Shoreline Greenway has been advocated for by many New Haven residents for over a decade.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Alders of the City of New Haven that the mayor is authorized to accept funding from the Federal Highway Administration, Connecticut Department of Transportation (CT DOT), and/or the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (CT DEEP) and sign any associated state agreements, agreements with contractors, and other documents, any of which may include indemnification provisions and which may have a term of longer than one year, that the mayor deems desirable or necessary, including any subsequent amendments to agreements regarding the development and implementation of the New Haven Shoreline Greenway Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Alders of the city of New Haven that the mayor is authorized to acquire real property interests to further the implementation of the New Haven Shoreline Greenway.