



Date: October 23, 2025

Honorable Tyisha Walker-Myers, President
Board of Alders of the City of New Haven
165 Church Street
New Haven, CT 06510

Dear President Walker-Myers:

I am pleased to submit for your consideration the attached resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept a grant award from the Connecticut Financial Empowerment Fund (CFEF) in the amount of \$50,000 over a two-year period to support the Financial Empowerment Center (FEC).

In accordance with the Order of the Board of Alders passed on October 17, 1994, authorizing the Mayor to apply for and accept all grants on behalf of the City of New Haven, the Financial Empowerment Center seeks authorization to accept for this funding to support the expansion of FEC services.

Specifically, the proposed grant will fund the launch of the Legacy Planning service, which will provide residents with personalized guidance on estate preparation, beneficiary planning, and intergenerational wealth building. This investment will help ensure that New Haven residents have access to free, trusted financial counseling and long-term planning resources that promote economic stability and generational financial empowerment.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Please contact me at (203) 946-6994 if you have any questions or need additional information.

I urge your favorable review and action on this matter.

Very truly yours,

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