CITY OF VINELAND, NJ

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-338

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FIREFIGHTER GRANT (ARPFFG) IN THE AMOUNT OF APPROXIMATELY \$450,000.00 TO PROTECT AGAINST THE COMBINED THREATS OF COVID-19 AND THE STRAIN OF EMERGENCY FIRE REQUESTS CONFRONTING THE PANDEMIC.

WHEREAS, the City of Vineland Fire Department desires to apply for a grant to be received from the New Jersey Department of Community affairs for approximately \$450.000.00 to support our fire department to ensure we have proper fire protection, cleaning, and sanitization equipment and are properly protected against the combined threats of the COVID-19 virus and the strain of emergency fire requests is vital given the current stress on communities confronting the pandemic.

WHEREAS, the Fire Department will need to submit six separate grants – one for each fire station, as each station's request will be unique in items needed however all equipment requests will be in the areas of: Personal Protective Equipment, Boots, Helmets, Gloves and Hoods; Gear washer and dryers; Uniforms for career and volunteer fire staff; Self Contained Breathing Apparatus equipment and other fire/virus protection equipment as determined to be appropriate by the Division of Local Government Services ("DLGS").

WHEREAS, Each grant submission is capped at \$75,000.00 for each station and the Fire Department wishes to match any award up to 25% of the grant awarded.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Vineland that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the application for such grant as well as the grant agreement and any other documents necessary in connection therewith.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council recognizes and accepts that the Department of Community Affairs may offer a lesser or greater amount and therefore, upon receipt of the grant agreement from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, does further authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute any such grant agreement; and upon receipt of the fully executed agreement from the Department, does further authorize the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms of the agreement by and between the City of Vineland and the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs.

Adopted:

	President of Council
ATTEST:	
City Clerk	<u> </u>