

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY**  
**County of Camden, State of New Jersey**  
**#R 088 -2020**

**RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DISAPPOINTMENT IN THE LACK OF FEDERAL STIMULUS FUNDS AWARDED TO CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY AND CONSIDERATION FOR THE AWARD OF FUTURE FEDERAL STIMULUS FUNDING**

**WHEREAS**, on Friday, March 27, 2020, the United States House of Representatives and United States Senate passed S.3548, a \$2.2 Trillion “Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act” also known as the “CARES Act”; and

**WHEREAS**, one of the stated intentions of the CARES Act was to provide immediate relief to individuals, businesses, agencies, and governments, such as the City of Gloucester City (“City”), to assist with the severe negative financial consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the City, located in Camden County, New Jersey, has a population of 11,456 according to the 2010 United States Census and is projecting a combination of significantly increased expenses and large reduction in revenue, directly attributable to the COVID-19 crisis; and

**WHEREAS**, the City’s estimated median household income in 2017 was \$50,724, compare to the New Jersey state average of \$80,088; and

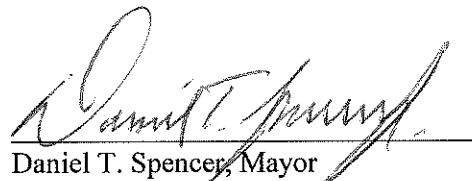
**WHEREAS**, the City residents with income below the poverty level in 2017 was 12.4% compared to less than 10.0% statewide; and

**WHEREAS**, the aforementioned impacts will likely result in the City’s Mayor and Common Council significantly reducing expenses in an already bare bones budget, and seek additional revenues through various methods including the amount to be raised by local purpose taxation in the 2020 budget; and

**WHEREAS**, \$82.2 million of the \$2.2 Trillion stimulus bill has been allocated to the State of New Jersey along with various counties and municipalities with populations of at least 50,000, but no funds were granted to those most in need within Gloucester City.

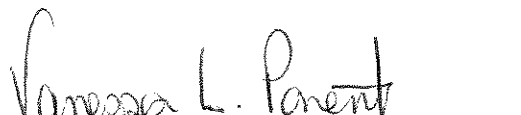
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester, County of Camden and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The provisions of the **WHEREAS** clauses set forth above are incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof.
2. The Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester City expresses its profound disappointment that its financial needs, and those of every other New Jersey municipality with fewer than 50,000 residents, have not been accommodated to date within the \$2.2 Trillion CARES Act; and
3. The Mayor and Common Council expresses unabashedly, to its elected Federal Representatives, U.S. Senator Robert Menendez, U.S. Senator Cory Booker, and Congressman Donald Norcross, its strong desire that any future stimulus or aid account for the needs of Gloucester City to help minimize the impact of this crisis on its already overburdened citizenry and property taxpayers.
4. The Mayor and Common Council direct that a certified copy of this Resolution be transmitted electronically to the offices of Honorable Phil Murphy, Governor of the State of New Jersey, U.S. Senator Robert Menendez, U.S. Senator Cory Booker, Congressman Donald Norcross, Senate President Stephen M. Sweeney, Assembly Speaker Craig J. Coughlin, Majority Leader Louis D. Greenwald, State Senator Nilsa I. Cruz-Perez, Assemblyman William F. Moen, Jr., Assemblyman William W. Spearman, and the Clerk of the Camden County of Chosen Freeholders for dissemination to the Freeholder Director Cappelli and all other Freeholders.

  
Daniel T. Spencer, Mayor

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify this is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester this 4<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

  
Vanessa L. Parent, Registered City Clerk