ORDINANCE NO. 2021-8

AN ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE AND USE OF FUNDS WHICH ARE BEING DISTRIBUTED TO THE VILLAGE PURSUANT TO THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN OF 2021, CREATING A NEW FUND TO ACCOUNT FOR THE GRANT MONEY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, to respond to the COVID-19 public health crisis, The American Rescue Plan of 2021 (ARPA) is distributing funds to local governments, continuing many of the programs started by the CARES Act (2020) and Consolidated Appropriations Act (2021) by adding new phases, new allocations, and new guidance to address issues related to the continuation of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Waite Hill desires to accept ARPA funds to assist the Village in responding to and mitigating the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Village needs to create a fund to account for the receipt and distribution of the grant money.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF WAITE HILL, CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor and Treasurer are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions that are necessary to accept ARPA funding from the Federal government.

SECTION 2. There is hereby created a special fund to be called the "ARPA Fund". All grant funds received by the City from ARPA shall be deposited into this fund and expended for proper and authorized grant purposes. The Treasurer is authorized and directed to make application to the Auditor of State for the approval of the creation of the ARPA Fund in accordance with Section 5705.12 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3. That the Council has determined that all formal actions of the Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council in compliance with Ohio law, and that all deliberations of the Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were open to the public when required by Ohio law.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance constitutes an emergency measure in that the same provides for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the Village of Waite Hill, and for the reason of the fact that the immediate passage is necessary to comply with state and federal law for the separate accounting of ARPA grant

money; wherefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage by Council and its approval by the Mayor, or as otherwise provided by law.

PASSED:	, 2021	
		Council President
Submitted to the Mayor for		
his approval on this		
day of	_, 2021	
		Approved by the Mayor
ATTEST:		, 2021
Clerk-Treasurer		Mayor