### TOWN OF COTTAGE CITY

#### **RESOLUTION 2022-11**

A RESOLUTION concerning the Cottage City ARPA Gas Relief Program.

WHEREAS, many of our Town residents have been financially affected by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 continues to present economic challenges for Town residents and their families; and

WHEREAS, the Town Manager has recommended that the Town Commission implement the Gas Relief Program to assist individuals, families, and small businesses, residing within the Town of Cottage City, with their financial hardships, which have been caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as our community continues to be impacted by the ongoing impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, Cottage City residents who meet the following eligibility criteria and requirements, may apply to receive gas gift cards.

## Purpose

The purpose of this program is to provide financial assistance to eligible Town of Cottage City residents who have been directly impacted by higher energy cost. One gift card in the amount of \$50 will be issued to one adult family member within each household.

# Eligibility

- Must be a Cottage City resident
- Must show proof of residency
- 1 card per household will be issued
- Card will be issued to the adult representative of each household.
- Cards will be distributed at Town events.

## Requirements

- Proof of residency may be established by any of the following:
  - o Signed copy of deed, mortgage, or lease agreement
  - o Utility bill with the applicant's name address, issued within the last 60 days.
  - o Current, valid insurance policy
  - o Recent voter registration card

- o Government benefits statement
- o Government ID Card/Drivers License with address

# Card Distribution Activity

• Cards will be distributed to each household representative on an ongoing basis and reminder notices will be included in the monthly newsletter to all residents.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Resolution shall further amend the FY22/23 budget to reflect the following changes:

Increase: ARPA Gas Gift Card Program in the amount of \$10,000.

Decrease: ARPA fund Grant in the amount of \$10,000.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect on the day it is adopted.

TOWN OF COTTAGE CITY MARYLAND

Richardson

By: Wanda Wheatley, Commission-Chair

### CERTIFICATION

I, HEREBY CERTIFY, as the duly appointed Town Manager of the Town of Cottage City, Maryland, that on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 2022 with Aye votes, Nay votes and Absent, the aforesaid Resolution 2022-11 Passed.

Carol Richardson

Town Manager