

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**APPROVAL FOR DESIGNATION OF 24 HOUSING UNITS
FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES**

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WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has initiated a public housing utilization improvement program; and

WHEREAS, this program is designed to account for all public housing units and their specific usage; and

WHEREAS, the Louisville Metro Housing Authority has historically designated public housing units for special purposes with approval of the Board of Commissioners (Resident Council offices, Administrative offices, MTW Services, Resident Amenities, Self Sufficiency etc.); and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development is requiring that the Board of Commissioners approve these designations on a triennial basis; and

WHEREAS the attached document identifies all 24 designations.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LOUISVILLE METRO HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, that the attached special designations are approved and that the Executive Director and Contracting Officer, Lisa Osanka, is hereby authorized to submit this item to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

RESOLUTION BACKGROUND STATEMENT
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I. STATEMENT OF FACTS:

HUD's Office of Public Housing has initiated the Public Housing Utilization Improvement Project with the goal of increasing occupancy and reducing vacancies nationwide.

The first phase of the project is to conduct an analysis and verification of all public housing units to determine how they are categorized in the HUD computer system (PIC). Every unit in the Housing Authority must be put into the correct unit status category based on HUD's definitions and guidance.

Based on LMHA's completion of a data collection form and a subsequent site verification review by HUD staff, LMHA is being required by HUD to get Board approval for units that are being used for special use purposes (Resident Council offices, Administrative offices, MTW Services, Resident Amenities, Self Sufficiency etc.), and not for resident dwelling units.

II. ALTERNATIVES:

- A. Approve resolution authorizing special usage of 24 housing units for special purposes.
- B. Do not approve resolution authorizing special usage.

III. RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of resolution authorizing special usage of units.

IV. JUSTIFICATION:

The requested usage of these units will enhance the quality of life for LMHA residents and improve the service provided by LMHA staff.

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