BOARD OF HOUSING COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-13

AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF WAIVERS ISSUED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) issued PIH Administrative Notice 20-05 on Friday April 10th, 2020;

WHEREAS, the Notice covered a variety of waivers and administrative exceptions that HUD is willing to grant to all public housing agencies to address the requirements of social distancing for the duration of any federal, state, or local directives or Executive Orders that call for minimization of public contact and public interactions;

WHEREAS, the Notice contains language that applies to administrative activities related to applicants and existing program participants for both the Public Housing (PH) Program and the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program. It covers verification of household eligibility and income data and language that applies to landlords concerning all unit inspections;

WHEREAS, the Notice generally requires a housing agency to opt in by July 31, 2020 to those waivers that it elects to implement. In addition, some waivers are deemed "short term" and terminate after July 31, 2020 and some are deemed "long term" and terminate after December 31, 2020**;** and

WHEREAS, administrative flexibility is required to allow the Executive Director or designee to respond to rapidly changing circumstances and make decisions on a situation-by situation basis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE AHA BOARD OF HOUSING COMMISSIONERS, the governing body of AHA, that:

1. The Executive Director or designee is authorized to implement all applicable waivers identified in HUD Notice PIH 2020-05 that in her discretion are appropriate and necessary for the operations of the AHA and in the best interests of the clients and residents served by the Albuquerque Housing Authority.
2. The waivers that will be applied by AHA and the effective dates (as summarized in the Attachment) may be modified by the Executive Director or designee as needed, including adding or removing any existing waivers, and consider any new waivers that are issued by HUD.
3. Delegated legal authority to implement the waivers is retroactive to April 10, 2020.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 20th day of May 2020.
BY A VOTE OF 4 FOR, AND 0 AGAINST.

Members Absent: Rivera-Wiest
Members voting against: _____

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By: /s Janet McHard
Janet McHard, Vice Chairperson of the Board

ATTEST:

/s Linda Bridge
Linda Bridge, Secretary to the Board and Executive Director