## **ADOPTED**

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## ORDINANCE NO. 242

Board of Supervisors James City County, VA

## AN ORDINANCE TO GRANT RELIEF TO A FORMER OWNER, HIS HEIRS OR ASSIGNS, FOR REAL ESTATE SOLD IN A DELINQUENT TAX SALE

- WHEREAS, there exists a parcel of land located in James City County known as 202 Mildred Drive and further identified as Lot 129, Forest Glen, Section 4, and James City County Real Estate Tax Map Parcel ID No. 3110500129 (the "Property); and
- WHEREAS, the Property was acquired by Inez Walker by deed recorded in James City County Deed Book 731, Page 226.
- WHEREAS, Inez Walker died intestate on May 17, 2005, a widow, leaving eight children as sole heirs of her estate (the "Heirs"); and
- WHEREAS, the Property was sold in a delinquent tax sale on January 20, 2021; and
- WHEREAS, following the sale of the Property, a Decree of Confirmation was entered by the Williamsburg/James City County Circuit Court (the "Court") reporting a surplus of \$42,354.21 ("Surplus") from the sale, to which each of Inez Walker's eight Heirs is entitled to one-eighth; and
- WHEREAS, six of the Heirs petitioned the court for their share of the Surplus and the Court, by Order dated October 13, 2022, awarded each of the six petitioning Heirs one-eighth of the Surplus, or \$5,294.28 each; and
- WHEREAS, the Court retained the remainder of the Surplus and distributed it, by order, dated February 13, 2023, to James City County; and
- WHEREAS, Willie Walker, through his son and Power of Attorney, Tracy Weeks, has submitted a request to James City County for his one-eighth share of the Surplus; and
- WHEREAS, Virginia Code Section 58.1-3967 provides that upon request of the owner or heir of property sold in a delinquent tax sale the County may grant relief by Ordinance and pay over the surplus funds to the heir; and
- WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors held a public hearing and considered Willie Walker's request and the Board of Supervisors is of the opinion that James City County should pay to Willie Walker his share of the Surplus.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of James City, Virginia, that James City County shall pay to Willie Walker, one of eight Heirs of deceased person Inez Walker, the sum of \$5,294.28, which is one-eighth of the Surplus from a delinquent tax sale of property located at 202 Mildred Drive.

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Ruth M. Larson
Chair, Board of Supervisors

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Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, this 10th day of September, 2024.

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