BY AUTHORITY

ORDINANCE NO. COUNCIL BILL NO. CB23-1325

SERIES OF 2023 COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE:

Safety, Housing, Education & Homelessness

5 **A BILL**

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8 **For an ordinance making a cash transfer from the Coronavirus Emergency Response Special Revenue Fund to the General Fund and authorizing appropriations in the Housing Stability General Fund.**

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10 **WHEREAS,** the City and County of Denver has in place a state of emergency regarding

11 unsheltered residents, as initiated by Mayor Mike Johnston and approved by Denver City Council;

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13 **WHEREAS,** the City's 2022 Point in Time Count (annual survey of the number of people

14 experiencing homelessness) counted more than 1,300 residents unsheltered and living outdoors

15 on a single night in January; and

16 **WHEREAS,** the number of unsheltered individuals has increased year-over-year and is

17 expected to continue to increase; and

18 **WHEREAS,** the increasing number of people living unsheltered in the City creates

19 significant public health and safety risks due to the lack of available services and the associated

20 impacts of encampments created in spaces that are not intended for habitation; and

21 **WHEREAS,** Ordinance No. 293, Series of 2020, established the Coronavirus Emergency

22 Response Special Revenue Fund to support General Fund agencies' response to the pandemic;

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24 **WHEREAS,** the revenue to the Coronavirus Emergency Response Special Revenue Fund

25 was General Fund transfers and transfers from TABOR Reserves; and

26 **WHEREAS,** Ordinance No. 293, Series of 2020 authorized the Chief Financial Officer to

27 transfer cash balances to the General Fund after the City's response to the pandemic is complete;

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29 **WHEREAS,** the federal government declared the emergency to be over in May of 2023; and

30 **WHEREAS,** the City wishes to transfer the remaining cash balance from the Coronavirus

31 Emergency Response Special Revenue Fund (SRF) to the Department of Housing Stability's

32 General Fund appropriation to support Mayor Johnston's *House 1000 Initiative*;

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1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY**
2 **OF DENVER:**

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4 **Section 1:** There is hereby authorized the transfer of cash in the amount indicated in the
5 following tabulation:

Accounting Number	Appropriation Account	Expending Authority	Amount Transferred Out
11878-2560000	Coronavirus Emergency Response SRF	Chief Financial Officer	$8,000,000

Accounting Number	Appropriation Account	Expending Authority	Amount Transferred In
01010-0144000	Department of Housing Stability	Executive Director of Housing Stability	$8,000,000

8 The forgoing is to make a cash transfer in an amount equal to the remaining cash balance in the
9 Coronavirus Emergency Response SRF to the Department of Housing Stability's General Fund
10 appropriation. This amount is estimated to be approximately $8.0 million but may be adjusted as
11 transactions are finalized.

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13 **Section 2.** From the General Fund, Accounting No. 01010, out of monies transferred in Section
14 1 and not otherwise appropriated and in addition to amounts heretofore appropriated by Ordinance
15 No. 1446, Series of 2022, and any supplemental appropriations or rescissions, there is hereby
16 appropriated to the appropriation accounts hereinafter designated the amount of money, following
17 such designation, to be expended for the purposes and upon the authorizations in said Ordinance
18 set forth:

Accounting Number	Appropriation Account	Expending Authority	Amount Appropriated
01010-0144000	Department of Housing Stability	Executive Director Housing Stability	$8,000,000

20 This amount reflects the transfer authorized in Section 1 and is estimated to be approximately $8.0
21 million. The amount may be adjusted as transactions in the Coronavirus Emergency Response SRF
22 are finalized.

1   **Section 3.** The Chief Financial Officer of the City and County of Denver is hereby authorized
2   and directed to make such book and record entries and to do such other things as may be necessary
3   to accomplish the purposes of this Ordinance.

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7   COMMITTEE APPROVAL DATE: September 27, 2023
8   MAYOR-COUNCIL DATE: N/A
9   PASSED BY THE COUNCIL: _____
10 _____ - PRESIDENT
11 APPROVED: _____ - MAYOR _____
12 ATTEST: _____ - CLERK AND RECORDER,
13   EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE
14   CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER

15 NOTICE PUBLISHED IN THE DAILY JOURNAL: _____; _____

16 PREPARED BY: Nikki McCabe, Budget and Management Office   DATE: September 28, 2023

17 Pursuant to section 13-9, D.R.M.C., this proposed ordinance has been reviewed by the office of the
18 City Attorney. We find no irregularity as to form and have no legal objection to the proposed
19 ordinance. The proposed ordinance is not submitted to the City Council for approval pursuant to §
20 3.2.6 of the Charter.

21 Kerry Tipper, Denver City Attorney

22 BY: _Anshul Bagga_____, Assistant City Attorney   DATE: _Sep 28, 2023____

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