

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION AND SUBMITTAL
OF AN APPLICATION TO THE MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH,
OFFICE AGAINST INTERPERSONAL VIOLENCE, FOR FUNDING UNDER THE
FFY 2016 S.T.O.P. VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN (VAWA) PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, The Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg, hereinafter "City" is eligible to submit a formula grant application to the Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH), Office Against Interpersonal Violence under the FFY 2016 S.T.O.P. Violence Against Women (VAWA) Program; and

WHEREAS, MSDH's Office Against Interpersonal Violence is the designated state administrative agency (SAA) for the S.T.O.P. Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program; and the S.T.O.P. program encourages partnerships between law enforcement, prosecution, courts, and victim services organizations to enhance victim safety and hold offenders accountable for their crimes against women; and

WHEREAS, the goal of this grant is to develop and strengthen law enforcement, prosecution, and court strategies to combat violent crimes against women and to develop and strengthen victim services, including community-based, culturally-specific services in cases involving domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking; and

WHEREAS, S.T.O.P. grant funds are available on a 75% Federal, 25% local matching basis. Identified S.T.O.P. Program priority areas include (1) training and support for criminal justice system personnel, (2) direct and indirect intervention services for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, and (3) provision of services for underserved populations; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg deem it in the best interest of the citizens of Vicksburg to apply for FFY 2016 S.T.O.P. Violence Against Women (VAWA) Program funding for continued implementation of Vicksburg Municipal Court's Domestic Violence Victim Empowerment Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City is hereby authorized and directed to make proper application to the MSDH for FFY 2016 S.T.O.P. Violence Against Women (VAWA) Program funding for continued implementation of the Vicksburg Domestic Violence Victim Empowerment Program by Vicksburg Municipal Court and to incur such costs for such application; and further, that Walter W. Osborne, Jr., City Clerk, in and for the City of Vicksburg, Mississippi is hereby authorized and directed to submit proper proof of reimbursement of said eligible costs incurred, from funds received, if any, from the S.T.O.P. Violence Against Women (VAWA) Grant Program .

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. The Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg, Mississippi be authorized to accept the grant from the MSDH for continued implementation of the Vicksburg Domestic Violence Victim Empowerment Program, if any, and;
2. The Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg, Mississippi, be authorized to execute said grant offer and grant agreement and other documents that may of necessity be executed in the implementation of this program.

RESOLVED, this the ____ day of May, 2017.

George Flaggs, Jr., Mayor

Willis T. Thompson., Alderman

Michael A. Mayfield, Sr., Alderman

CERTIFICATE

I, Walter W. Osborne, Jr, the duly appointed, qualified and acting City Clerk and lawful custodian of the Minutes of The Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg and Seal of said City, Certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of a Resolution Adopted by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg at an Adjourned Board Meeting held on Wednesday, May 10, 2017.

WITNESS my signature and official seal of office this 10th day of May, 2017.

Walter W. Osborne, Jr., City Clerk