EMERGENCY FINANCIAL MANAGER OF THE CITY OF ECORSE
ORDER No. 090

ORDER OF THE EMERGENCY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF ECORSE, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN, AMENDING POVERTY APPLICATION FOR RESIDENTS AND ADOPTION OF 2012 POVERTY GUIDELINES.

WHEREAS, under the Local Government Fiscal Responsibility Act, Act 72, Public Acts of Michigan, 1990, as amended ("Act 72") and, for all relevant periods, under the Local Government and School District Fiscal Accountability Act, Act 4, Public Acts of Michigan, 2011, as amended ("Act 4"), and a Contract (the "Contract") between the State of Michigan and Joyce A. Parker, dated October 30, 2009, Joyce A. Parker has been appointed as the Emergency Financial Manager (the "EFM") of the City of Ecorse, County of Wayne, Michigan (the "City") and charged with the power and authority to take all actions necessary to develop and implement financial and operational plans, to regulate expenditures, investments, ensure compliance with federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, local laws and make provisions for services for the City of Ecorse, including the power to exercise the authority and responsibilities of the Mayor, as the Chief Administrative Officer of the City, and of the City Council, as the governing body of the City, concerning the adoption and enforcement of resolutions, Directives and Orders affecting the financial condition of the City as provided in the Home Rule City Act, Act 279, Public Acts of Michigan, 1909, as amended ("Act 279") and other relevant and enumerated laws ; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Act 72 of 1990, Section 21 an Emergency Financial Manager has the power and authority to make, approve, or disapprove any appropriation, contract, expenditure, or loan, for and on behalf of the local government;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Act 72 of 1990, Section 21, an Emergency Financial Manager may exercise the authority and responsibilities affecting the financial condition of the local government as provided in numerous Public Acts, including but not limited to Act No. 279 of the Public Acts of 1909, the Home Rule City Act, and its numerous amendments;

WHEREAS, MCL 211.7u of the General Property Tax Act, MCL 211.1, et. Seq., allows a property tax exemption for the principal residence of persons who, in the judgment of the supervisor and board of review, by reason of poverty, are unable to contribute to the public charges; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to MCL 211.7u(2)(e), local governing bodies are required to adopt guidelines that set income levels for their poverty exemption guidelines and those income levels shall not be set lower by a city than the federal poverty guidelines updated annually by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and interpreted pursuant to the State of Michigan Department of Treasury Bulletin 12 of 2011 on Poverty Exemptions including any changes for 2012. Additionally, a city shall amend the application it uses for residents to apply for the poverty exemption whenever it requires updating to continue to be in legal compliance; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ecorse had properly amended its APPLICATION FOR TAX HARDSHIP REVIEW for use by qualifying residents for the poverty exemption and, in further conformity with MCL 211.7u and Bulletin 12 of 2011 on Poverty Exemptions the City of Ecorse, in 2012, recommended the adoption of the following **CITY OF ECORSE POVERTY GUIDELINES**:

NUMBER OF PERSONS IN HOUSEHOLD	2012 POVERTY GUIDELINES
ONE PERSON	13,000.00
TWO PERSONS	16,460.00
THREE PERSONS	20,800.00
FOUR PERSONS	24,000.00
FIVE PERSONS	27,500.00
SIX PERSONS	31,900.00
SEVEN PERSONS	35,200.00
EIGHT PERSONS	39,600.00
NINE OR MORE	43,300.00

WHEREAS, in accordance with all applicable federal and state law provisions as referenced above and after careful review and consideration, the City of Ecorse recommends the continuing application of ORDER 67 and/or the adoption of the 2012 City of Ecorse Poverty Guidelines set forth above for use throughout the 2013 tax year.

WHEREAS, this ORDER is necessary in order to carry out the duties and responsibilities required of the Emergency Financial Manager as set forth in Public Act 72, the contract between the Local Emergency Financial Assistance Loan Board and the Emergency Financial Manager and, additionally, is considered necessary to implement the financial plan.

RESOLVED, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED BY THE EMERGENCY FINANCIAL MANAGER OF THE CITY OF ECORSE, PURSUANT TO PUBLIC ACT 72 AND THE CONTRACT, THAT EFFECTIVELY IMMEDIATELY:

1. The City of Ecorse adopts the following **CITY OF ECORSE 2013 POVERTY GUIDELINES**:

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2. Repeal. All orders of the EM, resolutions of the City Council of the City, and parts of resolutions or orders in conflict with this Order are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 15th day of Jan, 2013.

Joyce A. Parker
Emergency Manager
City of Ecorse