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THE FINAL UPON COUNCIL APPROVAL**

ORDINANCE

APPROVING THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO'S LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM FOR THE 87TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE TEXAS STATE LEGISLATURE.

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WHEREAS, prior to the convening of each biennial State legislative session, the City of San Antonio identifies policy priorities and legislative initiatives that it would like the Texas Legislature to address when it convenes January 12, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the result of this work is the pending State Legislative Program, which contains legislative priorities that staff and consultants will actively support or oppose through the drafting of legislation and amendments, finding bill sponsor(s), providing testimony, and/or actively pursuing legislative action; and

WHEREAS, proposed priorities include police accountability and transparency, public health investments, broadband accessibility and affordability, domestic violence prevention, economic and workforce recovery, Pre-K through college education funding, and preserving local decision making; and

WHEREAS, the State Legislative Program is designed to be strategic and impactful, align with the priorities of San Antonio residents, preserve the authority of those elected to represent them to make decisions that are in the best interests of their constituents, protect the ability to generate the revenue necessary to provide critical public safety, infrastructure and other essential services and/or promote efficient governance and delivery of services; and

WHEREAS, the City Council Intergovernmental Relations Committee considered the Program on November 2, 2020 and the City Council was briefed on the Program in B Session on November 4, 2020; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Council approves City of San Antonio’s State Legislative Program for the 87th Legislative Session. A copy of the proposed amended Program is attached to this Ordinance as **Exhibit I**.

SECTION 2. Staff is directed to inform the Bexar County Legislative Delegation of the Program and to undertake such steps as are reasonably necessary to obtain passage of the City’s various initiatives during the upcoming 87th Legislative Session.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise it is effective ten days after its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 12th day of November 2020.

M A Y O R
Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Tina J. Flores, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney