## RESOLUTION

## OF THE BEN HILL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION TO OBTAIN

## AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT ECONOMIC ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE (EDA-2021-ARPAEAA) GRANT FUNDS FOR PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS

**WHEREAS**, the Ben Hill County Board of Commissioners supports sound economic development initiatives within Fitzgerald and Ben Hill County, realizing that such activity is in the best interest of the area, and resulting in the creation of new jobs and an increased capital investment in Fitzgerald and Ben Hill County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ben Hill County Board of Commissioners understands that the provision of essential infrastructure is crucial to successful industrial recruitment and jobs creation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ben Hill County Board of Commissioners has identified a lack of sufficient funds to address the need for street and drainage infrastructure improvements necessary to adequately and safely serve Modern Dispersions South, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS,** EDA ARPA Economic Adjustment Assistance funds are sufficient to address this need; and

**WHEREAS,** the Ben Hill County Board of Commissioners has requested that the staff of the Southern Georgia Regional Commission assist in the preparation and administration of the EDA application; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ben Hill County Board of Commissioners has chosen Arrow Engineering to be the project engineer for the EDA grant application and implementation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ben Hill County Board of Commissioners has agreed to provide any needed matching funds and in-kind services to complete this project.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Ben Hill County Board of Commissioners will submit an application for EDA ARPA Economic Adjustment Assistance grant funds to address the identified need.

SO RESOLVED this	day of	, 2021.
Steve Taylor, Chairman		
Donna R. Prather, County Clerk		
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