

RESOLUTION NO.

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Treasury has established the New Markets Tax Credit (NMTC) program to stimulate investments in predominately low-income communities; and

WHEREAS, the NMTC program is administered by the Treasury Department through its Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) Fund and the Internal Revenue Service; and

WHEREAS, under the NMTC program, tax credits are competitively awarded annually by the CDFI Fund to qualified Community Development Entities (CDEs) after review and evaluation of applications submitted by .CDEs, which are then made available to investors; and

WHEREAS, to qualify as a CDE, an entity must satisfy the following (1) be a duly organized entity with a federal employer identification number; (2) have a primary mission of serving or providing investment capital to low-income communities or low-income persons; (3) maintain accountability to residents of low-income communities through board participation; and (4) be certified as a CDE by the CDFI fund; and

WHEREAS, the City is committed to supporting enhanced economic development opportunities for low-income communities within the City and to low-income persons residing within those communities; and

WHEREAS, the goals and purposes of the NMTC program are consistent with and complementary to the economic development programs previously established by the City to support expanded economic development opportunities for low-income communities within the City and

to low-income persons residing within those communities; **NOW,**
THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

The City Manager is authorized to create a Texas non-profit corporation, to apply for and receive an allocation of new market tax credits and to perform other duties to carry out the purposes of the new market tax credit program.

ADOPTED: _____, 2011 **ATTEST:** _____
Shirley A. Gentry
City Clerk