## CITY of NOVI CITY COUNCIL



Agenda Item E August 12, 2019

**SUBJECT:** Approval of resolution recognizing Project Forgive as a nonprofit organization operating in the City of Novi for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license from the State of Michigan.

**SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT:** City Clerk

**CITY MANAGER APPROVAL:** 

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

Project Forgive is a non-profit organization based in Novi whose purpose is to educate and support adult leadership to positively impact children. They are applying for a Charitable Gaming License from the State of Michigan and are required by the State Act 382 of 1972 to request a resolution recognizing them as a non-profit organization from the jurisdiction where they are based. Such a resolution carries no obligation from or endorsement by the City of Novi.

The Police Department has reviewed their submission and finds no reason to deny the request.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approval of resolution recognizing Project Forgive as a nonprofit organization operating in the City of Novi for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license from the State of Michigan.

Local Civic Organization Qualification Requirements Documentation Project Forgive 29558 English Way Novi, MI 48377

Submitted by Dr. Shawne Duperon, Executive Director, 248-444-7573

1. Detailed Purpose Letter Attached - Attachment 1

- 2. Current Bylaws Attached Attachment 2
- 3. Articles of Incorporation Attachment 3
- 4. A provision in the bylaws, constitution, charter, or articles of incorporation that states should the organization dissolve, all assets, real property and personal property will revert: See Page 1, section 3.1 of the Bylaws – attachment 2.
- 5. A copy of the IRS letter of determination stating the organization is a 501 © (3). Attachment 4.
- 6. A copy of a resolution passed by the local body of government in the organization conducts its principal activities stating the organization is a recognized nonprofit organization in the community. The form to be approved is attached.
- 7. A copy of the Corporation's income statements and balance sheets for the past three years. The financial statements are for fiscal years. The following documents are attached as Attachments 7:
  - a 2016 Income statement
  - b 2016 Balance Sheet
  - c 2017 Income Statement
  - d 2017 Balance Sheet
  - e 2018 Income Statement
  - f. 2018 Balance Sheet.
- 8. Tax returns for the following years:
  - a. 2016
  - b. 2017
  - c. 2018
- 9. Copies of bank statements for the past 12 months.
  - a. June 2018 July 2019
- 10. Printout of the check register for the past 12 months.
- 11. Our corporation does not have a credit card or procurement card statements.



Children are one-third of our population, as well as our entire future.

The mission of the Project Forgive Foundation is educating and supporting adult leadership for supporting our children to reach their potential.

Project Forgive's community educational approach is unique. Our programs and tools don't focus on children directly. We expand that impact by focusing on those who touch the lives of kids on a daily basis: such as probation officers, teachers, parents, and community leaders.

Our philosophy is: "Feed the teachers, nourish the children." Many community programs meet the needs of supporting children. We expand that impact by filling the many missing gaps by long-term investment in the children's environment. In essence, through academic strategies and engagement, we impact the adults surrounding the children, to foster children's growth and self-esteem.

Our main source of funding comes from foundations, individual donations, and fundraisers.

Our main use of funding is for educational materials, programs, and training for those with a primary purpose of supporting children. Programs include leadership communication, such as our leadership forgiveness tool "Accepting the Apology You'll Never Receive," which garnered a 2016 Nobel Peace Prize nomination for its progressive leadership conversations. Our funding also supports community engagement initiatives in classrooms, and our social media reach through our popular social media channels.

Funds are also used for basic operating costs of doing business, including maintaining our educational website, and our social media platforms including Facebook Lives, which impacts up to 100 million people per month globally.

Dr. Shawne Duperon

Project Forgive Founder, Executive Director

## MEMORANDUM



TO: CORTNEY HANSON / CITY CLERK

FROM: DAVID E. MOLLOY / CHIEF OF POLICE

SUBJECT: CHARITABLE GAMING LICENSE / PROJECT FORGIVE

DATE: AUGUST 1, 2019

An application for a charitable gaming permit for Project Forgive / Shawne Duperon which is a nonprofit organization that operates in the City of Novi, with its purpose of educating and supporting adult leadership for supporting children, operates on donations, foundations and fundraisers for educational materials, programs and training. This application has been reviewed.

With this we find no reason to deny this request.



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## LOCAL GOVERNING BODY RESOLUTION FOR CHARITABLE GAMING LICENSES

(Required by MCL.432.103(k)(ii))

At aREGUL	AR OR SPECIAL meeting of the TOWNSHIP, CITY, OR VILLAGE COUNCIL/BOARD
called to order by _	on
	a.m./p.m. the following resolution was offered:
Moved by	and supported by
that the request from	of , NAME OF ORGANIZATION CITY
county of	, asking that they be recognized as a nonprofit
organization operating	g in the community, for the purpose of obtaining charitable gaming licenses, be
considered for APPR	OVAL/DISAPPROVAL.
APPROVAL: Yea	s: <u>DISAPPROVAL</u> : Yeas:
Nay	vs: Nays:
Abs	ent: Absent:
I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution offered and adopted  by the at a	
meeting held on	DATE
SIGNED:	TOWNSHIP, CITY, OR VILLAGE CLERK
	PRINTED NAME AND TITLE
	ADDRESS
Organization Informa	tion: ORGANIZATION'S MAILING ADDRESS, STREET, CITY, ZIP  ( )
	ORGANIZATION'S PRINCIPAL OFFICER NAME AND TITLE PHONE NUMBER