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OFFICE OF
INSPECTOR GENERAL

December 18, 2025

OIG-CA-26-010

Mr. Jack W. Ireland, Jr.
Chief Financial Officer
City of Dallas
1500 Marilla St
Dallas, TX 75201

Re: Final Determination on Corrective Actions for Desk Review of the City of Dallas, Texas' Use of Coronavirus Relief Fund Proceeds (OIG-CA-23-028)

Dear Mr. Ireland:

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act),¹ established the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) and appropriated \$150 billion for making payments to states, District of Columbia, local, territorial, and tribal governments entities. CRF recipients may use the CRF award funds to cover costs that:

1. were necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19);
2. were not accounted for in the government's budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020; and
3. were incurred during the period that began on March 1, 2020, and ended on December 31, 2021, for states, local governments, and territories. In the case of tribal governments, were incurred during the period that began on March 1, 2020, and ended on December 31, 2022 (covered period).

Under a contract monitored by our office, a certified independent public accounting firm (IPA) performed a desk review to evaluate the City of Dallas' (Dallas) documentation supporting its use of CRF proceeds as reported in the GrantSolutions² portal. In the desk review memorandum,³ the IPA identified total unsupported questioned costs of \$2,211,594 in the "aggregate payments to individuals" category. The transactions tested were related to non-substantially dedicated⁴ payroll expenses.

¹ P.L. 116-136 (March 27, 2020)

² GrantSolutions, a grant and program management Federal shared service provider under the United States Department of Health and Human Services, developed a customized and user-friendly reporting solution to capture the use of CRF payments from prime recipients.

³ Treasury OIG, *Desk Review of the City of Dallas, Texas' Use of Coronavirus Relief Fund Proceeds*, OIG-CA-23-028 (July 20, 2023)

⁴ Non-substantially dedicated payroll costs meant that personnel performed COVID-19 related task on a part-time basis.

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In April 2025, we contacted Dallas requesting the city to provide supporting documentation for the questioned costs. In May 2025, Dallas provided eligible replacement public health and safety payroll expenses for the \$2,211,594 questioned costs. As such, Dallas' corrective actions addressed the questioned costs identified in the desk review.

We appreciate the courtesies and cooperation provided to our staff during the desk review follow-up. If you have any questions or require further information, please contact me at (202) 927-5792, or a member of your staff may contact Olivia Scott, Acting Audit Director, at (202) 927-9635.

Sincerely,

/s/

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