Wilmington, Delaware April 1, 2021

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 WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Wilmington wishes to promote sustainable

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 home ownership throughout the City; and

Council WHEREAS, the City of Wilmington Department of Real Estate and Housing and the Member Oliver Wilmington Neighborhood Conservancy Land Bank own dozens of vacant lots throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, vacant lots hamper the development of a sense of community; and

WHEREAS, the Council believes there is demand for these vacant properties by home builders who wish to acquire vacant property for the purpose of building affordable homes; and

WHEREAS, the Council believes vacant lots owned by Wilmington Department of Real Estate and Housing and the Wilmington Neighborhood Conservancy Land Bank and available for sale should be marketed with a prominent "For Sale" sign.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WILMINGTON CITY COUNCIL that Council strongly encourages the Wilmington Neighborhood Conservancy Land Bank and the City of Wilmington Department of Real Estate and Housing to make every effort to aggressively market and sell these properties to home builders for the purpose of building affordable homes.

Passed by City Council,

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ City Clerk

**SYNOPSIS:** This Resolution encourages the Wilmington Department of Real Estate and Housing and the Wilmington Neighborhood Conservancy Land Bank to more aggressively market vacant lots in their inventory for the purpose of affordable home construction.