**Environmental Certifying Officer** Certification

Compliance with National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) regulations

Whereas, the Town of Pocahontas has been offered and intends to accept federal funds authorized under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as

amended, and

Whereas, recipients of funding under the Act are required to formally designated an individual who assumes the role of "responsible federal official" and who assumes the responsibility for environmental review, decision making, and action pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the implementing regulations, including

signing the required Request For Release Of Funds & Certification;

Whereas, the Responsible Federal Official will sign the Request for Release of Funds and Certification, which certifies that the Town of Pocahontas has carried out its environmental review and decision-making responsibilities under NEPA and requests that the Commonwealth of Virginia releases the grant money. The Certification will become part of the required Environmental Review Record.

Therefore, the Town of Pocahontas designates Ben Gibson, Mayor as its Responsible Federal Official.

Signature of Authorized Official