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RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2025

RECOGNIZING the City Gospel Mission and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and Council for the City Gospel Mission's century-long commitment to transforming lives and building a stronger, more compassionate community.

WHEREAS, City Gospel Mission was founded in 1924 with James N. Gamble of Procter and Gamble serving as the first Chairman of the Board, establishing a legacy of compassion and service to the Greater Cincinnati community; and

WHEREAS, for over a century, City Gospel Mission has remained steadfast in its mission to "break the cycle of poverty and despair...one life at a time," providing critical support to those facing homelessness, addiction, joblessness, and other life-altering challenges; and

WHEREAS, the City Gospel Mission provides a variety of essential services including a homeless shelter, jobs van, and community diner as well as impactful programs for job training and placement, addiction recovery, and outreach to under-resourced youth; and

WHEREAS, City Gospel Mission offers seasonal assistance through its Thanksgiving food drive and Christmas gift outreach, ensuring that thousands of families in need experience hope and dignity during the holidays; and

WHEREAS, the City Gospel Mission's success is made possible through the dedicated efforts of more than 2,600 volunteers and 250 partnering churches working together to uplift over 7,000 individuals each year, including more than 2,000 youths; and

WHEREAS, City Gospel Mission has provided free food to the youth at Government Square every Wednesday for almost two years, feeding over 1,500 individuals each week, in partnership with the Collaborative Agreement Community Initiative; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. The Mayor and this Council hereby recognize the City Gospel Mission for its transformative presence in Cincinnati and its commitment to building a stronger, more compassionate community through faith-based initiatives.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that a copy be provided to the City Gospel Mission through the office of Councilmember Scotty Johnson.

Passed: _____, 2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____

Submitted by Councilmember Scotty Johnson