

RESOLUTION NO. 51 - 2022

EXPRESSING the wholehearted support of the Mayor and City Council for the Brent Spence Bridge project and its expedient completion; and further **EXPRESSING** the importance of maximizing the economic benefit of the Brent Spence Bridge project to our region.

WHEREAS, 160,000 motor vehicles cross the Brent Spence Bridge daily, making it a major thoroughfare for both local and national traffic that moves freight valued at three percent of the nation's gross domestic product; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cincinnati is supportive of the construction of a companion bridge adjacent to the existing bridge because of the economic benefit it will bring to our region and the nation as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the existing footprint of the northern bridge approach utilizes a significant amount of valuable downtown real estate; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the Mayor and this Council support the application for federal dollars by the State of Ohio and the Commonwealth of Kentucky for funding from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to ensure this project comes to fruition in the immediate future.

Section 2. That the Mayor and this Council express the value of capturing developable urban real estate to the extent possible within the bridge design-build process and commit to working in partnership with the Ohio Department of Transportation ("ODOT") to achieve this goal within the existing preferred alternative, project timeline, and budget.

Section 3. That copies of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and provided to ODOT, 1980 West Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43223; the U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Ave, SE, Washington, DC 20590; Senator Rob Portman, 448 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510; Senator Sherrod Brown, 503 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510; Representative Steve Chabot, 2408 Rayburn House

Office Building, Washington, DC 20515; and Representative Brad Wenstrup, 2419 Rayburn H.O.B., Washington, DC 20515.

Passed: April 13, 2022

Attest: 
Clerk


Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval and Councilmembers Mark Jeffreys, Reggie Harris, Victoria Parks, Meeka Owens, and Greg Landsman