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RESOLUTION NO. ____U4____- - 2023

RECOGNIZING our local letter carriers and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and Council for the dedication, courage, and resilience that letter carriers display in the course of their duties each day.

WHEREAS, letter carriers are the backbone of our community, assisting in carrying out our elections, delivering medicines, ensuring checks arrive on time, transporting important documents, and more; and

WHEREAS, letter carriers provide an essential service, delivering around 162 million pieces of mail each day; and

WHEREAS, robberies of letter carriers have been on the rise with seventeen such instances occurring locally in the last three years, and nationally, surging 78 percent to nearly 500 occurrences in 2022, according to data provided by U.S. Postal Inspection Service; and

WHEREAS, the recent rise in robberies of letter carriers presents a threat to the safety of our letter carriers, our democracy, the health of our citizens, and the fabric of our society; and

WHEREAS, letter carriers work every day, regardless of heat, rain, snow, sleet, or hail, to deliver our mail and ensure that we are able to carry on with our lives, and this service underpins much of our lives; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the Mayor and this Council recognize local letter carriers for the dedication, courage, and resilience that letter carriers display in the course of their duties each day.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that a copy be provided to Ted Thompson through the office of Councilmember Reggie Harris.

Passed: Supermour 37, 2023

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest:

Clerk

Submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, Councilmember Reggie Harris, Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney, and Councilmembers Jeff Cramerding, Mark Jeffreys, Scotty Johnson, Liz Keating, Meeka Owens, Victoria Parks, and Seth Walsh.