## RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_\_ - 2025

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**RECOGNIZING** Ms. Hope Harvey-Dudley as a 2025 Black History Month honoree and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for her continued activism and bravery.

WHEREAS, in 2007, Ms. Hope Harvey-Dudley received a call no mother should—that her son, Daniel Chaz Dudley, had been shot in a drive-by shooting where he unfortunately succumbed to his injuries; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Harvey-Dudley turned a mother's grief into a powerful and transformative movement, UCanSpeakForMe, serving as Founder and CEO; and

WHEREAS, UCanSpeakForMe sparked a movement to address unsolved homicides in the Greater Cincinnati area, bringing awareness to unsolved murders via the creation of playing cards containing the faces and information of victims on the cards, which are then distributed to prisons and community members; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Harvey-Dudley and UCanSpeakForMe have traveled the Greater Cincinnati area bringing awareness not only to the unsolved murders, but also how to grieve, how to live life without a loved one, and how to be an advocate for your loved one through UCanSpeakForMe; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Harvey-Dudley still continues the work she began in 2007 for other families who have endured the unbearable; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the Mayor and this Council hereby recognize Ms. Hope Harvey-Dudley as a 2025 Black History Month honoree for her continued activism and bravery.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that a copy be provided to Ms. Harvey-Dudley through the office of Councilmember Meeka Owens.

Passed: 1000 5 , 2025

Attest: Clerk

Submitted by Councilmember Meeka Owens,

Aftab Pureval, Mayor