

RESOLUTION NO. 75 - 2022

**SUPPORTING** the special assignment of Cathy Bernardino Bailey, Executive Director of Greater Cincinnati Water Works, as a temporary senior advisor to the United States Environmental Protection Agency to assist with development of lead service line replacement priorities and strategies and to facilitate regional technical assistance hubs to expedite lead service line replacement across the country.

WHEREAS, Ms. Bailey is the first woman and African-American to lead Greater Cincinnati Water Works (“GCWW”) since its formation over two hundred years ago; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bailey began her long career of public service to the City of Cincinnati when she joined GCWW in 1992 as a chemist in its Water Quality and Treatment Division, assisting with the start-up of GCWW’s granular activated carbon facility, the first of its kind and the culmination of over a decade of research between GCWW and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (“USEPA”); and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bailey later served GCWW in various areas, including information technology, strategic planning, and management of key utility-wide projects; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bailey has distinguished herself as a leader throughout her career, focusing on innovative and creative solutions positively impacting the region; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bailey was instrumental in creating GCWW’s groundbreaking lead service line replacement program, which is a model for similar programs nationwide; and


WHEREAS, Ms. Bailey has advocated for increased outreach and equity in providing services to historically disenfranchised segments of our community; 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 support the special assignment of Cathy Bernardino Bailey, Executive Director of Greater Cincinnati Water Works, as a temporary senior advisor to the United States Environmental Protection Agency to assist with development of lead service line replacement priorities and strategies and to facilitate regional technical assistance hubs to expedite lead service line replacement across the country.

Section 2. That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that copies be sent to the City Manager and the Executive Director of Greater Cincinnati Water Works.

Passed: June 29, 2022

Attest:   
Clerk

  
Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval