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RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2022

RECOGNIZING Clarity Amrein and expressing the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati to Clarity Amrein as a 2022 City of Cincinnati Pride Month honoree for her continuous leadership and work in the City of Cincinnati, and her dedication to advancing LGBTQIA+ justice, equality for all persons, and the protection of our sacred democracy.

WHEREAS, Clarity Amrein attended the University of Cincinnati and received her degree in Technical Writing in 2018, and she was a staff reporter at the News Record where she published three pieces in the literary journal "Short Vine," and she continued her education at Kent State where she received her master's degree in 2021 in User Experience Design and is pursuing a second master's degree in Library and Information Sciences; and

WHEREAS, in November 2018, Ms. Amrein began working at the downtown branch of the Public Library as a library assistant and was promoted in 2021 to be a Community Content Coordinator, and in that role she works to preserve materials, digitize documents, and overall to maintain local history; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Amrein sits on the Cincinnati Library LGBTQIA+ workgroup which is responsible for acquiring educational LGBTQIA+ materials, programming, and event coordination; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Amrein worked to develop Queer Gabby, which is an interactive feature on CincinnatiLibrary.org where youth and teens can submit comments and questions anonymously, and library staff can respond to them publicly, much like a "Dear Abby" style advice column, but instead of seeking interpersonal advice anyone can ask questions related to the Library's LGBTQIA+ materials and local services; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Amrein volunteers with the organization Ohio Lesbian Archives where she works to preserve, order, and catalog LGBTQIA+ history in Ohio with a special emphasis on lesbian history; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Amrein founded and maintains "Smoke & Queers Burlesque and Drag Troupe," Cincinnati's only queer burlesque and drag troupe which provides a fun, safe, and inclusive environment to be oneself and celebrate one's identity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Amrein has been active with organizations working to uplift the LGBTQIA+ community, such as her work to help cofound Treehouse Cincinnati, and her work as the Director of Development for Cincinnati Pride, a position to which she was elected in 2022; 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 Clarity Amrein as a 2022 City of Cincinnati Pride Month honoree for her continuous efforts to uplift the LGBTQIA+ community in Cincinnati and the surrounding region, for her work with Cincinnati Pride and other organizations in the City of Cincinnati, and for her dedication to advancing justice, equality for all persons, and the protection of our sacred democracy.

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

Passed: _____, 2022

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

Submitted by Councilmember Reggie Harris