

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - 2021

**RECOGNIZING** March 2<sup>nd</sup> as National Read Across America Day in Cincinnati in order to honor and express the importance of reading to youth and young adults, and further **ENCOURAGING** all Cincinnatians to observe this day by participating in appropriate ceremonies and activities fostering the joy of reading in their communities.

WHEREAS, in 1998 the National Education Association celebrated the first Read Across America event to raise awareness of the importance of reading as a foundational building block of learning and future success; and

WHEREAS, Read Across America is a national celebration of reading, adult and community engagement in the education of youth, and the greater cause for literacy; and

WHEREAS, Read Across America is nationally celebrated on March 2<sup>nd</sup> in honor of the birthday of acclaimed children’s author Theodor Suess Geisel, universally known as Dr. Suss; and

WHEREAS, to celebrate the day of reading, students, parents, teachers, and community members take part in the Read Across America Day to foster the joy of reading in their local communities and throughout the nation; 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 March 2<sup>nd</sup> as National Read Across America Day in Cincinnati and encourage all Cincinnatians to observe this day by participating in appropriate ceremonies and activities fostering the joy of reading in their communities.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2021

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John Cranley, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk

Submitted by Councilmembers Keating and Landsman