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RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2026

RECOGNIZING Vicki Graves-Hill and Arnice Smith and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for Principal Graves-Hill and Ms. Smith’s dedication to the education and enrichment of our Cincinnati youth.

WHEREAS, Vicki Graves-Hill’s tenure with Cincinnati Public Schools has included time as a teacher, Assistant Principal, Director of Strategic Planning, and Principal of Roll Hill Elementary School, where she has served for twenty years; and

WHEREAS, as part of her service at Roll Hill Elementary, Principal Graves-Hill has worked to increase Performance Index Scores and State achievement scores, and she has been recognized by the Rotary Club as Cincinnati Public Schools’ Administrator of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Arnice Smith’s career with the Cincinnati & Hamilton County Public Library spanned over thirty years, and she was most recently the Branch Manager at the College Hill Public Library; and

WHEREAS, Arnice Smith has been honored by the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center as a “Freedom Hero,” and the New York Times has named her a Librarian of the Year in 2005; and

WHEREAS, Principal Graves-Hill and Ms. Smith were instrumental in the creation of the Roll Hill School Library, the only library in the Roll Hill Neighborhood, and together have created a space for generations of students to learn, grow, and thrive; 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 Vicki Graves-Hill and Arnice Smith for their dedication to the education and enrichment of our Cincinnati youth.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that a copy be provided to Principal Graves-Hill and Ms. Smith through the office of Councilmember Evan Nolan.

Passed: _____, 2026

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest _____
Clerk

Submitted by Councilmember Evan Nolan