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RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2026

RECOGNIZING the Cincinnati Fire Department and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for Fire Department personnel and their heroic efforts at Bramble Park on February 11, 2026.

WHEREAS, on February 11, 2026, at approximately 1759 hours, Cincinnati Fire Department companies Ladder 31, Engine 49, and Heavy Rescue 9 were dispatched to Bramble Park to assist in the rescue of an eleven-year-old girl with autism who was standing precariously near a small body of icy water at the bottom of a steep gully; and

WHEREAS, upon arrival, fire crews assessed the dangerous terrain and freezing conditions and, in consultation with the child's father, carefully developed a rescue plan designed to ensure the child's safety while minimizing distress; and

WHEREAS, firefighters gently lowered an extension ladder down the steep slope, and two members – one equipped in an ice rescue suit – descended to reach the child, demonstrating exceptional training, coordination, and calm professionalism; and

WHEREAS, once contact was made, firefighters immediately secured the child with a personal flotation device and safely guided her up the ladder, preventing potential exposure to icy waters of unknown depth and averting possible tragedy; and

WHEREAS, the successful rescue resulted in an uneventful ascent and a joyful reunion between the child and her father, reflecting the Cincinnati Fire Department's unwavering commitment to public safety and compassionate service; and

WHEREAS, the courage, skill, and dedication displayed by the responding crews exemplify the highest standards of public service and bring great credit upon the Cincinnati Fire Department and the City of Cincinnati; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That this Mayor and Council recognize and commend the members of Ladder 31, Engine 49, and Heavy Rescue 9 for their professionalism, bravery, and compassionate response during the February 11, 2026 rescue at Bramble Park.

Section 2. That this Resolution serves as an expression of the appreciation and gratitude of the Mayor and Council for the outstanding service provided by the Cincinnati Fire Department in protecting the lives and well-being of our residents.

Section 3. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council.

Passed: _____, 2026

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

Submitted by Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney