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RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2025

RECOGNIZING Angela Chang as a 2025 Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month honoree and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for Ms. Chang's unwavering dedication to youth advocacy, her leadership in advancing equitable legal representation, and her lasting contributions to justice and community empowerment throughout Cincinnati.

WHEREAS, Angela Chang earned a bachelor's degree in business administration and a bachelor's degree in marketing and international business from The Ohio State University, where she also served as president of the Asian American Association; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Chang continued her education at the University of Cincinnati College of Law, where she earned a Juris Doctor and led the Asian Pacific American Law Student Association; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Chang began her legal career working for the Colorado Public Defender's Office, where she zealously advocated for individuals accused of criminal conduct, and later joined the Children's Law Center, where she served as a Staff Attorney, the Juvenile Defender Services Coordinator, and ultimately, the Managing Attorney; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Chang has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to youth justice by ensuring representation for children accused of criminal conduct, training those who serve this population, and coordinating juvenile defense services across a seven-state region; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Chang joined the Hamilton County Public Defender's Office Youth Defense Division in 2015, where she served as a Trial Attorney, a Team Leader, and in 2021, the Director of the Youth Defense Division; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Chang has worked to ensure equal and equitable representation for youth in the justice system, expanded her office's presence in the community, and promoted a more holistic approach to youth advocacy; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Chang continues to give back to her community beyond her professional duties, including through her service as a representative to the U.S. Department of Justice's Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, through her work with Georgetown University Law Center's Youth Defense Advocacy Program Summer Academy in 2024, and through her ongoing contributions throughout Cincinnati that bring perspective and representation to the underserved; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That the Mayor and this Council recognize Angela Chang as a 2025 Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month honoree for her unwavering dedication to youth advocacy, her leadership in advancing equitable legal representation, and her lasting contributions to justice and community empowerment throughout Cincinnati.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that a copy be provided to Angela Chang through the Office of the Mayor.

Passed: _____, 2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

Submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval