

RESOLUTION NO. 75 - 2023

RECOGNIZING Lourdes Ribera as a 2023 Hispanic Heritage Month honoree and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for her contributions to the City of Cincinnati through her leadership as President of the League of United Latin American Citizens Cincinnati Chapter.

WHEREAS, Lourdes Ribera was born in Bolivia, studied Business Administration in Lima, Peru, studied English at Mass Bay Community College in Wellesley, Massachusetts, and now resides in Cincinnati with her husband David Reed; and

WHEREAS, Lourdes retired from Proctor & Gamble in June of 2012 after 35 years of service, and in her last assignment, she was a project manager in Multicultural External Relations, where she was dedicated to the needs of US Hispanic and African American consumers; and

WHEREAS, in 2005, Lourdes was one of the founders of the League of United Latin American Citizens ("LULAC"), Cincinnati Chapter, the oldest and largest Hispanic Civil Rights organization in the United States with a rich history of advocacy in civil rights, education, economic development, immigration, and equal opportunity, and she became president of the organization in 2009; and

WHEREAS, this year, LULAC Cincinnati awarded 32 LULAC scholarships to talented, underserved Hispanic students, and since its inception in 2006, it has awarded a total of 338 scholarships for a total of approximately a quarter of a million dollars; and

WHEREAS, Lourdes serves on the Cincinnati Hispanic Chamber Advisory Board, and she has received many awards including LULAC Ohio Woman of the Year, LULAC Presidential Commendation Award, and in 2011 she was named Distinguished Hispanic Ohioan by the Commission of Hispanic Latino Affairs; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, she received the Su Casa Lifetime Achievement Award for her outstanding service and dedication to the Hispanic Community and the "Make a Difference" award by the Cincinnati English Language Foundation for her contribution to education; 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 Lourdes Ribera as a 2023 Hispanic Heritage Month honoree for her contributions to the Cincinnati community through her leadership as President of the League of United Latin American Citizens Cincinnati Chapter.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that a copy be provided to Lourdes Ribera through the office of Vice Mayor Jan Michele Kearney.

Passed: November 1, 2023

Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney
VICE - Mayor

Attest: [Signature]
Clerk

Submitted by Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney