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RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2022

RECOGNIZING and honoring Susan Schiller for her tireless advocacy, unwavering support, and compassionate work with our local families in need in the City of Cincinnati.

WHEREAS, Susan Schiller, Chief Executive Officer, joined Bethany House Services in September of 2013, transitioning to the non-profit sector after spending 28 years of her career in marketing research, spending 19 years as founder and CEO of Schiller Marketing Research; and

WHEREAS, Susan came to Bethany House after serving as Executive Director of Boys Hope Girls Hope, Cincinnati Habitat for Humanity, and United Cerebral Palsy, and her volunteer work spans more than 40 years supporting local educational institutions, the fine arts, scouting, social service agencies, and the United Way; and

WHEREAS, in 2003, Susan was named an Enquirer "Woman of the Year" for her work in the community, and in 2018, she was awarded the Mayor's Humanitarian of the Year award for increasing the number of shelter "overflow" beds to accommodate more homeless families, and in 2020, Susan was the winner of the Business Courier's 2020 C-Suite Award in the CEO category, that honors top-level executives who have demonstrated outstanding leadership and driven stellar performance at Greater Cincinnati businesses and nonprofits; and

WHEREAS, under Susan's leadership, Bethany House has grown its post-shelter support/aftercare program to keep families from returning to shelter; began a capital campaign in 2015 to consolidate Bethany House's services under one roof, resulting in the creation of a new shelter in Bond Hill, raising more than \$16.5 million for the project; and she has led initiatives alongside members of the Family Housing Partnership to increase city, county, state, and federal funding to family shelters in Greater Cincinnati; and

WHEREAS, as Susan looks forward to a well-deserved retirement, the City of Cincinnati recognizes and honors Susan for her advocacy, her unwavering support of our local families in need, and for her many contributions to our community; 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 Susan Schiller for her tireless advocacy, unwavering support, and compassionate work with our local families in need and her contributions to the City of Cincinnati.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and a copy be provided to Susan Schiller by the Council Office of Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney.

Passed: _____, 2022

Attest: _____
Clerk

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Submitted by Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney