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**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - 2024**

**RECOGNIZING** University of Cincinnati President Neville G. Pinto, PhD, as a 2024 Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month honoree, and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for his innovative leadership and service as the President of the University of Cincinnati.

WHEREAS, in 2017, Neville G. Pinto became the 30th President of the University of Cincinnati, where he has continued to secure the University's position as a leading urban public research institution; and

WHEREAS, originally from Mumbai, India, President Pinto has earned several degrees in chemical engineering and serves as an Asian American leader and a role model, with nearly four decades of experience as a university teacher, researcher, and administrator; and

WHEREAS, according to the American Council on Education, Asian Americans are underrepresented in the administration of higher education, making up only 3.4 percent of executives and administrators and just 1.5 percent of college presidents; and

WHEREAS, President Pinto has leveraged his role to make significant contributions to the University and to the City of Cincinnati by prioritizing education, research, diversity, and a robust workforce; and

WHEREAS, in 2018, President Pinto solidified Cincinnati's reputation as a leader in innovative education by opening the 1819 Innovation Hub, followed by the Digital Future's Complex, in the Cincinnati Innovation District; 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 President Neville G. Pinto, PhD, as a 2024 Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month honoree for his innovative leadership and service as the President of the University of Cincinnati.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that a copy be provided to Neville G. Pinto, PhD through the office of Councilmember Seth Walsh.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2024

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk

Submitted by: Mayor Aftab Pureval and Councilmember Seth Walsh