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RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2022

RECOGNIZING Education and Sharing Day, U.S.A. in the City of Cincinnati as an opportunity to join governments around the world in dedicating a special 24 hours to focus on the education of our children, its impact on our society, and its deeper meaning for all humankind.

WHEREAS, Education and Sharing Day, U.S.A., established in 1978 by a joint Congressional resolution, focuses on the very foundation of meaningful education: instructing our youth in the ways of morality and ethics, and teaching them an appreciation for divine inviolable values; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States, in conjunction with the Washington, D.C.-based American Friends of Lubavitch, annually designates Education and Sharing Day, U.S.A. on the anniversary of the birth of the Lubavitcher Rebbe Melech Hamoshiach, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson, who dedicated his life to the cause of education, and this year we celebrate the 120th birthday of the Rebbe on April 12, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Rebbe was an advocate for children who spoke about the need for each child to be given an education that offers opportunities to succeed, and that education should focus not only on academic achievements but also on character building; and

WHEREAS, the Rebbe's emissaries established a network of several thousand Jewish schools and educational centers in the United States and across the globe; and

WHEREAS, in the Rebbe's own words the goal of Education and Sharing Day, U.S.A. is to "put greater emphasis on the promotion of fundamental human rights and obligations of justice and morality, which are the basis of any human society, if it is to be truly human and not turn into a jungle," which stresses the need for mindfulness in the general education system; and

WHEREAS, the Rebbe envisioned that Education and Sharing Day, U.S.A. would become a nationally celebrated day and asked local governing bodies and schools to join the call and give attention to this day and to raise awareness around the country and the world; and

WHEREAS, excellence in education is vital to the success of our City and our community, and we strive to instill within each child and adolescent a good education by preparing students for the responsibilities and opportunities of the future through lessons on literacy, math, and science; and

WHEREAS, the Rebbe taught that education should not be limited to the acquisition of knowledge and preparation for a career, but that it should also focus on character building with an emphasis on the universal moral and ethical values that are the basis of any peaceful civilized society; 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 Education and Sharing Day, U.S.A. in the City of Cincinnati and our community.

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

Passed: _____, 2022

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

Submitted by Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney