

RESOLUTION NO. ______ - 2024

RECOGNIZING Dr. Emmanuel "Manny" Ayanjoke and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for making healthcare more accessible for a historically underserved community.

WHEREAS, Dr. Emmanuel "Manny" Ayanjoke is the sole owner of Altev Pharmacy, a Black-owned pharmacy located in the Avondale neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ayanjoke grew up in Sagamu, a town outside Lagos, Nigeria; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ayanjoke's education took him to the United States, where he earned a Bachelor of Pharmacy, a Master of Business Administration, and a Doctor of Pharmacy from the University of Toledo; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ayanjoke has completed pharmacology research on biomedical data, pharmacotherapy, and clinical pharmacy; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ayanjoke applied to be a part of Project Oasis, a pilot program that empowers and supports pharmacy professionals to own and operate independent community pharmacies in underserved communities; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ayanjoke competed against almost 200 applicants to be chosen and opened the program's first pharmacy; and

WHEREAS, Altev Pharmacy is the only Black-owned pharmacy in the Greater Cincinnati area; and

WHEREAS, Altev Pharmacy provides great relief to the residents of Avondale, which has been considered a pharmacy desert; 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 Dr. Emmanuel "Manny" Ayanjoke for making healthcare more accessible for a historically underserved community.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that a copy be provided to Dr. Emmanuel "Manny" Ayanjoke through the office of Councilmember Seth Walsh.

Passed: , 2024

Clerk

Submitted by Councilmember Seth Walsh, Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney, and Councilmembers Scotty Johnson and Meeka Owens