

RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2023

RECOGNIZING members of the USS Cincinnati during their 2023 namesake visit to the City of Cincinnati, and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for their service to our country.

WHEREAS, the USS Cincinnati, an Independence Class Littoral Combat Ship (“LCS”) of the U.S. Navy, is an operational warship named for the City of Cincinnati which was commissioned into service on October 5, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the USS Cincinnati (LCS 20) is the fifth Navy ship to have proudly carried Cincinnati’s name, including an ironclad river gun boat commissioned in 1862, a protected cruiser (C-7) commissioned on June 16, 1894, a light cruiser (CL-6) commissioned on January 1, 1924, and an attack submarine (SS-693) commissioned on March 11, 1978; and

WHEREAS, select members of the USS Cincinnati’s crew including the Commanding Officer, his Weapons Officer, and Sailors of the Year, are visiting our city on October 11 to strengthen the bond between the USS Cincinnati and her namesake city; and

WHEREAS, Captain Robert Burke, a native of Tucson, Arizona, is currently assigned as Commanding Officer of USS Cincinnati (LCS 20); and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Michael Harper, a native of San Jose, California, is currently assigned as Ordinance Officer aboard USS Cincinnati (LCS 20); and

WHEREAS, Mineman Chief Sergio Rojas, a native of Fort Worth, Texas, is currently assigned aboard USS Cincinnati (LCS 20); and

WHEREAS, Mineman First Class John Woodson, a native of Oberlin, Ohio, is currently assigned aboard USS Cincinnati (LCS 20); and

WHEREAS, Damage Control Second Class Sophie Temkow, a native of Dearborn, Michigan, is currently assigned aboard USS Cincinnati (LCS 20); and

WHEREAS, Electronics Technician Third Class Petty Officer Alyssa Halsey, a native of Las Vegas, Nevada, is currently assigned aboard the USS Cincinnati (LCS 20) to keep our country safe and free; 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 the crew members of the USS Cincinnati (LCS 20) and welcome them to the City of Cincinnati and express their appreciation for their service to our country.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that a copy be provided to the crew members of the USS Cincinnati (LCS 20) through the office of Councilmember Liz Keating.

Passed: _____, 2023

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

Submitted by Councilmember Liz Keating