

EMERGENCY

City of Cincinnati

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An Ordinance No. _____

- 2021

AUTHORIZING the establishment of American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x101xARP004, "Performing Arts Support Grants," for the purpose of providing for a grant program to support various performing arts groups, including theaters and musical organizations, and which grants will also provide for public performances around the City; and **AUTHORIZING** the appropriation of the sum of \$7,000,000 from the unappropriated surplus of Local Fiscal Recovery Fund 469 to newly established American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x101xARP004, "Performing Arts Support Grants," for the purpose of providing for a grant program to support various performing arts groups, including theaters and musical organizations, and which grants will also provide for public performances around the City.

WHEREAS, the City is eligible to receive funding from the United States Department of the Treasury pursuant to the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act as part of the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (LFRF) Act; and

WHEREAS, the City's performing arts organizations occupy an essential role in contributing to the region's cultural, community, and economic vitality; and

WHEREAS, arts organizations attract persons and business from throughout the region to Cincinnati, which greatly enhances the vibrancy of the City and supports the local economy; and

WHEREAS, performing arts organizations have experienced substantial losses in revenue and suffered other negative economic consequences due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, funding will be provided for Performing Arts Support Grants as part of support provided to cultural institutions; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the Director of Finance is hereby authorized to establish American Rescue Plan grant project account no. 469x101xARP004 "Performing Arts Support Grants," for the purpose of providing for a grant program to support various performing arts groups, including theaters and musical organizations, and which grants will also provide for public performances around the City.

Section 2. That the sum of \$7,000,000 is hereby appropriated to newly established American Rescue Plan grant project account 469x101xARP004 "Performing Arts Support

Grants,” for the purpose of providing for a grant program to support various performing arts groups, including theaters and musical organizations, and which grants will also provide for public performances around the City.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of Sections 1 and 2 hereof.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to implement authorized American Rescue Plan-related support programs.

Passed: _____, 2021

John Cranley, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk