

## RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - 2024

**RECOGNIZING** Pete Rose and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for his historic life and career with the Cincinnati Reds.

WHEREAS, Pete Rose was born on April 14, 1941 in Cincinnati, Ohio and played baseball and football at Western Hills High School; and

WHEREAS, in 1960 he signed a professional contract with the Cincinnati Reds, and in 1963 during a spring training game against the New York Yankees he received his famous nickname "Charlie Hustle" after he sprinted to first base after drawing a walk; and

WHEREAS, on April 8, 1963, Pete Rose made his major league debut against the Pittsburgh Pirates and drew a walk on his first plate appearance; and

WHEREAS, that year he finished with a .273 batting average and won the National League Rookie of the Year award; and

WHEREAS, in the 1973 season Pete Rose won the National League Most Valuable Player award off a 230-hit season with a .338 batting average; and

WHEREAS, Pete Rose was a major contributor to the Cincinnati Reds team known by their nickname "The Big Red Machine" who went wire-to-wire by winning World Series in back to back years in 1975 and 1976, and in 1975 he won the World Series Most Valuable Player award; and

WHEREAS, in 1986, after 24 seasons of professional baseball, Pete Rose retired from baseball as a player; and

WHEREAS, Pete Rose remained with the Reds as their manager from 1984-1989 with a career record as a manager of 426-388, ranking him fifth in Reds history for managerial wins; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Pete Rose notched numerous accomplishments and records including seventeen All-Star appearances, two Gold Glove Awards, three National League batting championships, most career at-bats, most career plate appearances, most career times on base, most career games played, and most career hits with 4,256 hits earning him the title of "Hit King"; and

WHEREAS, on September 30, 2024, Pete Rose passed away at his home in Las Vegas, Nevada at the age of 83; and

WHEREAS, Pete Rose will be remembered for his historic baseball career and for the love he had for his hometown of Cincinnati which persisted throughout his lifetime until his death; 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 Pete Rose for his historic life and career with the Cincinnati Reds.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that a copy be provided to the family of Pete Rose through the office of Vice Mayor Jan Michele Kearney.

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

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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

Submitted by Vice Mayor Jan Michele Kearney