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RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2023

RECOGNIZING Alfonso Cornejo as a 2023 Hispanic Heritage Month honoree and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for his contributions to the City of Cincinnati through his leadership as President of the Hispanic Chamber Cincinnati, USA.

WHEREAS, Alfonso Cornejo was born and raised in Mexico, receiving his Bachelor of Science degree in chemical engineering from the University of Mexico; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cornejo began his career as a chemical engineer for Procter and Gamble in Mexico, ultimately becoming plant manager and then head of human resources; and

WHEREAS, the Hispanic Chamber Cincinnati, USA was founded by James Harney, V. Anthony Simms-Howell, and Onnie Martin on March 19, 1996 under the name Ohio Tri-State Hispanic Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, In 2003, Mr. Cornejo was chosen to succeed Roberto Peraza as the fourth president and has served in this role for twenty years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cornejo leads the chamber in its work helping institutions engage with Hispanic-owned businesses in the Cincinnati Tri-State area and fostering the professional growth of Cincinnati's Hispanic residents; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cornejo also serves on numerous boards including Cincinnati Public Radio, Hispanics Avanzando Hispanics, Interact for Health, and the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland; 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 Alfonso Cornejo as a 2023 Hispanic Heritage Month honoree for his contributions to the Cincinnati community through his leadership as President of the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

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

Passed: _____, 2023

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

Submitted by Vice Mayor Jan Michele Kearney