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## Motion

The water reservoir to the south east of Eden Park's Mirror Lake has two large grassplots. Cincinnati residents have proposed to plant a grove of Japanese Cherry Trees in one of those grassplots to celebrate the role of Cincinnati's own Helen Taft as First Lady of the United States of America. WE MOVE for the City Administration to provide a REPORT on the physical feasibility and agricultural capability of planting a grove of cherry trees around the water reservoir near Eden Park's Mirror Lake (Photo Attached).

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## Statement

Community interest has been shown in the planting of a grove of Japanese Cherry Tree's around the reservoir to the south east of Eden Park's Mirror Lake in honor of Cincinnati's own Helen Taft and her role as First Lady of the United States. First Lady Taft planted thousands of Japanese Cherry Trees throughout the Potomac Basin as part of the diplomatic peace effort with Japan in the early 1900s. The goal of this project is to utilize private funding for the purchasing and planting of these Japanese Cherry Trees. Before raising these funds, the community needs confirmation and support from Greater Cincinnati Water Works and the Cincinnati Parks about the feasibility of planting trees around the water reservoir.