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RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2025

RECOGNIZING the Appointed Civic Leadership Academy and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for the Appointed Civic Leadership Academy's efforts to train the next generation of civic leaders in service to the City and its many community organizations.

WHEREAS, the Appointed Civic Leadership Academy, better known as "Appointed," was established as a program under the Women's Fund of the Greater Cincinnati Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Rajani Menon, inspired by her vision to make boards and commissions more equitable and representative of all the people of our region, founded Appointed, and the organization has received support from many members of the Women's Fund including Director Camilla Worrell; and

WHEREAS, Appointed is a diversified program that equips participants with the ability to help the community by serving on civic, non-profit, and corporate boards and commissions; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Menon's vision has become a reality with Appointed having trained 2,150 men and women leaders and 180 graduates becoming board and commission members locally; and

WHEREAS, Appointed hosts a session each quarter focusing on topics such as planning, zoning, economic development, health, human services, and the arts and humanities; and

WHEREAS, after participants complete four sessions, they graduate and receive a certificate of completion; and

WHEREAS, many local leaders have celebrated this "fresh and innovative" concept, including Congressman Greg Landsman, Ohio State Senator Catherine Ingram, Cincinnati Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney, Councilwoman Liz Keating, and City Manager Sheryl Long; and

WHEREAS, Appointed is so popular that it has expanded to include additional classes Appointed-Xavier University and Appointed NKY; 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 the Appointed Civic Leadership Academy for its efforts to train the next generation of civic leaders in service to the City and its many community organizations.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that a copy be provided to Rajani Menon of the Women's Fund of the Greater Cincinnati Foundation through the office of Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney.

Passed: _____, 2025

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

Submitted by Mayor Aftab Pureval, Vice-Mayor Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney, President Pro Tem Victoria Parks, and Councilmembers Anna Albi, Jeff Cramerding, Mark Jeffreys, Scotty Johnson, Evan Nolan, Meeka D. Owens, and Seth Walsh.