RESOLUTION NO. ______ - 2024

RECOGNIZING Hoxworth Blood Center, University of Cincinnati ("Hoxworth") and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for Hoxworth being the premier organization to provide a reliable and economical supply of blood, hemotherapy services, transfusion medicine, and blood center technology to the Greater Cincinnati community.

WHEREAS, Hoxworth Blood Center opened its doors on December 10, 1938 under the direction of Dr. Paul Hoxworth and under the auspices of the Hamilton County Chapter of the Red Cross; and

WHEREAS, in 1944, Hoxworth Blood Center gained sponsorship from the University of Cincinnati and became known as the University of Cincinnati Blood Transfusion Service; and

WHEREAS, in 1973, the Transfusion Service was renamed the Paul Hoxworth Blood Center of the University of Cincinnati, and eventually the name was transitioned to the Hoxworth Blood Center, University of Cincinnati ("Hoxworth"); and

WHEREAS, in 1983, Hoxworth implemented an on-line computer system making Hoxworth ahead of its time as a blood center nationwide; and

WHEREAS, Hoxworth is the only blood bank in the nation affiliated with a university; and

WHEREAS, Hoxworth is the only blood provider to more than thirty Tri-State hospitals and has numerous community partnerships with various organizations; and

WHEREAS, Hoxworth has utilized various methods of community outreach including a mobile donation van, blood drives, and "In the Know with Dr. OH" podcast; and

WHEREAS, Hoxworth has seven donor locations, including its main location nestled on the grounds of the University of Cincinnati Medical Center; and

WHEREAS, Hoxworth is the oldest operating blood center in the nation and is celebrating 85 years of "Saving Lives Close to Home"; 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 Hoxworth Blood Center, University of Cincinnati for being the sole provider of reliable and economical blood, hemotherapy services, transfusion medicine, and blood center technology to the Greater Cincinnati community.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that a copy be provided to Hoxworth Blood Center, University of Cincinnati through the office of Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney.

Passed:

, 2024

Affab Pureval, Mayor

Attest:

ALTING Clerk

Submitted by Vice Mayor Jan-Michele Lemon Kearney