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An Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_

- 2023

**AUTHORIZING** the transfer of the sum of \$10,000 from the balance sheet reserve account 050x2535, "Reserve for Operating Budget Contingencies," to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund 050; and **AUTHORIZING** the transfer and appropriation of the sum of \$10,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund 050 to the City Manager's Office General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7400 for the purpose of providing The Mercantile Library with the City's portion of the two-year stipend for the City of Cincinnati's Poet Laureate.

WHEREAS, the City has previously provided support for the City of Cincinnati's Poet Laureate (the "Poet Laureate") and wishes to continue that support in partnership with The Mercantile Library; and

WHEREAS, support for the Poet Laureate is part of the City's multi-year pledge to support the arts, the value of spoken word, and the efforts of The Mercantile Library and the Poet Laureate program to bring more spoken word and poetry to our City; and

WHEREAS, poetry encourages self-reflection, connection, and community building; and

WHEREAS, poetry is accessible to all people in our City and encourages young people to find their voice; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 56-2022 revised the City's Stabilization Funds Policy to define appropriate funding for the City's various reserve funds, which included the establishment of a "Reserve for Operating Budget Contingencies" account that can provide \$10,000 to support the Poet Laureate; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the transfer of the sum of \$10,000 from balance sheet reserve account 050x2535, "Reserve for Operating Budget Contingencies," to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund 050 is hereby authorized.

Section 2. That the transfer and appropriation of the sum of \$10,000 from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund 050 to the City Manager's Office General Fund non-personnel operating budget account no. 050x101x7400 is hereby authorized for the purpose

of providing The Mercantile Library with the City's portion of the two-year stipend for the City of Cincinnati's Poet Laureate.

Section 3. That the proper City officials are hereby authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out the terms of Sections 1 and 2.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall, subject to the terms of Article II, Section 6 of the Charter, be effective immediately. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to provide The Mercantile Library with the City's portion of the two-year stipend for the City of Cincinnati's Poet Laureate.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2023

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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