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**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - 2023**

**RECOGNIZING** Dr. Shantel Thomas, PhD as a 2023 Women’s History Month honoree and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for her years of service and selfless contributions to the citizens of Cincinnati.

WHEREAS, Dr. Shantel Thomas is a published author and President, CEO and Founder of A Sound Mind Counseling Service and the Center For Healing The Hurt, a free trauma-based therapy center for kids and teens in the Cincinnati inner city; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Thomas’ private practice has four locations in the greater Cincinnati area with clinicians trained in several areas of mental health that focus on individual, child, family, couples, and group therapy; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Thomas is a People Of Color Wellness Alliance honoree, a graduate of the Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber’s Leadership Cincinnati, recipient of the YWCA’s Career Women of Achievement, and has been celebrated numerous times in Who’s Who in Black Cincinnati; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Thomas is a Hall of Fame alumna of University of Toledo, having enjoyed a stellar career as a sprinter, traveling the world competing and receiving various honors, including MAC Athlete of the Year and NCAA Woman of the Year for Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Thomas received her doctoral degree in Community Counseling from Kent State University and is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., the Ohio Counseling Association, the American Counseling Association, and the American Association of Christian Counselors; 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 Dr. Shantel Thomas as a 2023 Women’s History Month honoree for her years of service and selfless contributions to the citizens of the City of Cincinnati.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that a copy be provided to Dr. Thomas and her family through the office of Councilmember Scotty Johnson.

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

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

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

Submitted by Councilmember Scotty Johnson