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ORDINANCE NO. 220742

Honoring Frank E. Thompson on his retirement after more than 23 years of service to the City of Kansas City, Missouri at the Kansas City Missouri Health Department.

WHEREAS, Frank E. Thompson completed his Master of Science in Public Health degree at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst School of Public Health- with a focus on Community Health Education; and

WHEREAS, over a nearly 24-year career at the Kansas City Missouri Health Department Frank E. Thompson has provided invaluable service to the City of KCMO. Serving as the Interim Director of Health for KCHD from August 2021 until February 2022. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Thompson helped create policy recommendations and coordinated responses across the region and the state that provided education and updates for countless communities, in 2015 he received the Black Health Care Coalition’s Community Service Award for his work serving black communities with work at Calvary Community Outreach Network, from 2011 until 2018 he served as the Manager of KCHD’s HIV Services Program transforming multiple grants, provider networks and community partnerships into a nationally recognized and awarded HIV care system, in 2011 he was recognized by the Kansas City Health Commission for his role in establishing the Health Commission, in 2004 and 2008 he served as the manager for KCHD’s efforts for state level public health accreditation/re-accreditation, in 2001 he supported the Mayor’s Ryan White Taskforce that produced changes to how federal HIV-related dollars are managed for the eleven county, bi-state region, in 2000 he served as lead staff for the Mayor’s Minority Health Improvement Taskforce and also served as lead staff for the City’s DUI Taskforce, in 1999-2000 he coordinated the development of the City’s first minority health report (*Is It Good For The Children*) which served as the foundation for addressing health inequities in underserved parts of the City with low life expectancies; and

WHEREAS, Frank E. Thompson has served the City of Kansas City, Missouri Health Department since February 1, 1999, and will retire from the position of Deputy Director on September 1, 2022; NOW,

THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

That the Mayor and City Council on behalf of the City of Kansas City Missouri hereby express their gratitude to Frank E. Thompson for his service to the City as the Deputy Director for the Kansas City Missouri Health Department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be spread upon the Minutes of the Council in testimony thereof and that a copy hereof be presented to Frank E. Thompson with the best wishes of the Mayor and Council for his continued success in all his future endeavors and with the hope for his continued health, happiness and prosperity.

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