



RESOLUTION NO. 41225

1 BY REQUEST OF DEPUTY MAYOR WALKER AND COUNCIL MEMBERS
2 BLOCKER AND DIAZ

3 A RESOLUTION authorizing the one-time use of funds in the amount of \$6,000,
4 budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, to sponsor the Buffalo
5 Soldiers Museum's event, "Honoring Our Military Labor Force."

6 WHEREAS the Buffalo Soldiers Museum ("Museum") is a non-profit
7 dedicated to honoring the Buffalo Soldiers and serving as a haven for students and
8 members of the community to learn about a piece of history that took place
9 between 1866 and 1944, and

10 WHEREAS the Museum provides significant educational, historical, and
11 cultural resources and has a longstanding, robust relationship with the region's
12 large active duty and veteran military populations, as well as tribal leadership, and
13 the City's Black, Indigenous, People of Color ("BIPOC") community, and

14 WHEREAS this request would allow the City to be a sponsor for the
15 Museum's "Honoring Our Military Labor Force" event to be held on September 4,
16 2023, at Cheney Stadium ("Stadium"), and

17 WHEREAS this event is a long-standing tradition in the City that celebrates
18 the legacy of the Buffalo Soldiers, the City's BIPOC community, and current and
19 retired military members and their families, and this year's event will include a
20 softball game and free family and youth activities, and

21 WHEREAS this request would allow the City to sponsor at the "Grand Slam"
22 level, which would help ensure family-friendly entertainment activities for the event,
23 and provides for the following: (1) company name and logo on all festival flyers and
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1 public relations, (2) company name and logo displayed on the video board at the
2 Stadium during the softball game event, (3) company name and logo on the
3 Museum's 2024 Military and Baseball History calendar, (4) 25 reserved tickets to
4 sponsor suite for event softball game, and (5) waive vendor fee (if interested in also
5 being a vendor), and
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7 WHEREAS the Museum organizes this yearly event for the residents of the
8 City as a tribute to our military forces, past and present, and the Museum will
9 advertise the event to the public, which will be free for all to attend, enabling a wide
10 array of residents to participate, and
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12 WHEREAS, at the June 13, 2023, Study Session, Council Member Blocker
13 shared a Council Consideration Request to authorize the one-time use of \$6,000
14 from the Council Contingency Fund to sponsor the Buffalo Soldiers Museum's
15 event, "Honoring Our Military Labor Force," and
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17 WHEREAS RCW 35.34.250 and 35.34.260 authorize a withdrawal from the
18 Council Contingency fund for any municipal expense, the necessity or extent of
19 which could not have been foreseen or reasonably evaluated at the time of
20 adopting the budget, and
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22 WHEREAS Ordinance No. 22569 requires an affirmative vote of not less
23 than six members of the Council in order to withdraw moneys from this fund; Now,
24 Therefore,
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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

Section 1. That one-time funding in the amount of \$6,000, budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, is hereby approved for the purpose of sponsoring the Buffalo Soldiers Museum’s (“Museum”) event, “Honoring Our Military Labor Force.”

Section 2. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to confirm deliverables with the Museum for the purposes hereinabove enumerated, and document as appropriate.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney