

## **RESOLUTION NO. 41449**

BY REQUEST OF MAYOR WOODARDS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS DANIELS AND RUMBAUGH

A RESOLUTION authorizing the one-time use of funds in the amount of \$25,000, budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, to serve as matching funds to support broken window replacement along Broadway's Antique Row area in the City's Theater District.

WHEREAS in the early morning hours of May 18, 2024, approximately

16 businesses in the City's Theater District were attacked by an individual wielding
a hammer to break storefront windows, resulting in over 50 smashed windows with
over 90 percent of them being in the half block of Broadway's Antique Row between
South 7th Street and South 9th Street ("Antique Row"), and

WHEREAS this unprecedented large-scale destruction of multiple windows in the heart of downtown Tacoma impacts public safety by encouraging and facilitating additional crime in the area, and creating an unsafe environment for Tacoma residents and visitors which highlights the need to move quickly to reestablish a safe and welcoming environment for the public, and

WHEREAS this funding would supplement the existing broken window replacement fund supported by American Rescue Plan Act funds, which would be targeted to specifically replace the windows destroyed in this incident, and is intended to match monies raised by the Downtown Tacoma Partnership and the impacted businesses, and



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WHEREAS, at the June 4, 2024, Study Session, Mayor Woodards shared a Council Consideration Request to authorize the one-time use of \$25,000 from the Council Contingency Fund for matching funds to support broken window replacement for buildings damaged in the May 18th attacks along Broadway, and City staff will establish agreements, terms, and deliverables for the City's investment in this public safety effort, and

WHEREAS RCW 35.34.250 and 35.34.260 authorize a withdrawal from the Council Contingency fund for any municipal expense, the necessity or extent of which could not have been foreseen or reasonably evaluated at the time of adopting the budget, and Tacoma Ordinance No. 22569 requires an affirmative vote of not less than six members of the Council to withdraw moneys from this fund, and

WHEREAS the City Council finds that repairing this extraordinary damage in the heart of downtown Tacoma in the interest of public safety and economic activity which benefits the City is a fundamental governmental purpose within the City's authority to provide for public health safety and welfare, and further that the restored public safety and economic activity is sufficient consideration to the public to justify the City's investment; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

Section 1. That the foregoing recitals are hereby adopted as the City Council's legislative findings.

Section 2. That one-time funding in the amount of \$25,000, budgeted from the Council Contingency Fund, is hereby approved for the purpose of supporting



broken window replacement for buildings damaged in the May 18th attacks along Broadway.

Section 3. That City staff under the direction of the City Manager will establish agreements, terms, and deliverables for the City's investment in this public safety effort.

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Mayor
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Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Chief Deputy City Attorney