



RESOLUTION NO. 40941

1 BY REQUEST OF MAYOR WOODARDS, DEPUTY MAYOR USHKA, AND
2 COUNCIL MEMBERS BUSHNELL AND WALKER

3 A RESOLUTION authorizing the one-time use of \$25,000, budgeted from the
4 Council Contingency Fund, to assist with funding the music video portion of
5 the Tacoma Refugee Choir 2022 spring projects.

6 WHEREAS the Tacoma Refugee Choir ("TRC") is requesting \$25,000 to
7 assist with a 2022 project that includes the new Heart of Tacoma Festival
8 ("Festival") and a music video, and

9 WHEREAS the music video for "Everyone Can Love Someone" will center
10 around a ten-foot heart that TRC is commissioning from artist Steve LaBerge, and
11 will be built of fiberglass with lights, which will pull like a wagon; TRC plans to call it
12 the "Heart of Tacoma" ("Heart"), and

13 WHEREAS the music video will feature people from around the City working
14 together to move the Heart through the City, and will culminate with a flash mob
15 scene at the Dune Peninsula, with up to 200 people dancing together, and

16 WHEREAS in addition to the main filming day, TRC will be capturing footage
17 where the Heart is brought to community events, and

18 WHEREAS TRC is also hosting an expansion of last year's drive-in concert
19 with the new Festival on June 4th at the LeMay Car Museum Field, and

20 WHEREAS the Festival emphasizes interaction and engagement, including
21 dancing, singing, and cooperative activities at the center of the field from a broad
22 coalition of partners, including Greentrike, Wakulima USA, and Tacoma Arts Live,
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WHEREAS the Heart will be part of the Festival, with early plans to accommodate 2,000 plus people over the course of the day, and some video footage from the event will be incorporated into the “Everyone Can Love Someone” video, and

WHEREAS at Park Sings and the recording of the “Everyone Can Love Someone” music video, the TRC will create joyful community experiences focused on how we can love and help one another as we emerge from the pandemic, and

WHEREAS at the Festival, diverse cultural groups will be brought together to share music, dance, and activities that all in attendance can engage in, and

WHEREAS with each of these spring events, the aim is to create uplifting experiences that will deepen understanding between diverse community members, using the power of participatory music making, and promote a sense of unity among all people and regions of the City, encouraging love and compassion, and helping to reduce racial and other inequities, particularly as we move out of the pandemic and many are feeling pressures economically, and from a mental health perspective, and

WHEREAS the total budget for the video, the Park Sings events, the Festival, and the “Everyone Can Love Someone” video shoot is \$75,000, and the City’s \$25,000 contribution would be used to cover the cost of the music video specific to the director, film crew, drone operator, lighting, video editing, coloring, audio mixing, and translations for the music video, and



1 WHEREAS, at the March 22, 2022, Study Session, Deputy Mayor Ushka
2 shared a Council Consideration Request to authorize the one-time use of \$25,000
3 from the Council Contingency Fund to assist the TRC in funding the music video
4 portion of their 2022 spring projects, and
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6 WHEREAS City staff will negotiate and execute an agreement for services,
7 with terms and deliverables for the City's contribution, as well as a financial report
8 provided to the City which shows the source(s) of the funding prior to receiving the
9 \$25,000 contribution, and
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11 WHEREAS RCW 35.34.250 and 35.34.260 authorize a withdrawal from the
12 Council Contingency fund for any municipal expense, the necessity or extent of
13 which could not have been foreseen or reasonably evaluated at the time of
14 adopting the budget, and
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16 WHEREAS Ordinance No. 22569 requires an affirmative vote of not less
17 than six members of the Council in order to withdraw moneys from this fund; Now,
18 Therefore,
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20 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:**

21 Section 1. That one-time funding in the amount of \$25,000, budgeted from
22 the Council Contingency Fund, is hereby approved for the purpose of supporting
23 the Tacoma Refugee Choir ("TRC") in funding the music video portion of their 2022
24 spring projects.
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Section 2. That the proper officers of the City are hereby authorized to confirm deliverables with the TRC for the purposes hereinabove enumerated, and document as appropriate.

Adopted _____

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Deputy City Attorney