RESOLUTION NO. 20190808-080

WHEREAS, the Millennium Youth Entertainment Complex ("Millennium"), located in the core of East Austin, houses and facilitates recreation, entertainment, lifelong learning and professional development for its residents; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Millennium is to provide a safe, secure, and comfortable environment where families can enjoy a wide range of affordable, high quality recreational and entertainment activities and attractions; and

WHEREAS, in dedication to the tragic deaths of 16-year-old Tamika Ross in 1992 and 25-year-old Juan Cotera in 1996, the Millennium formally opened its doors to the public on June 18, 1999 as a wholesome entertainment alternative to reduce youth violence; and

WHEREAS, the Millennium has faithfully served East Austin for 20 years as of June 18, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Austin Rosewood Community Development Corporation ("CDC"), the body which governs the Millennium, was established in 1995 and has been comprised of esteemed board members that are educators, non-profit executives, business people, human rights activists, and religious and community leaders; and

WHEREAS, the Austin Rosewood CDC has consistently fulfilled the mission of the Millennium by working to ensure that its facilities and programming are safe, sustainable, and up-to-date; and

WHEREAS, the Millennium has received prolonged support from past and present community members dubbed "Promise Keepers", who have pledged to
support and maintain the mission and vision of the Millennium, and have dedicated
the complex to the future of East Austin’s youth; and

WHEREAS, the Millennium is set to undergo a combination of repairs and
capital improvements in the near future that will bring about a more robust
actualization of its mission; NOW, THEREFORE,

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

The City of Austin and the Austin City Council formally acknowledge that
the Millennium Youth Entertainment Complex is a historical and cultural pillar for
the East Austin community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The City of Austin and the Austin City Council formally acknowledge that
the Austin Rosewood Community Development Corporation is essential to
materializing the Millennium’s mission and serves as a form of representation for
East Austin communities that have historically been underrepresented and
marginalized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The City of Austin and the Austin City Council formally acknowledge that
they have a responsibility and obligation to ensure that the Millennium is a viable
public institution that adheres to its mission and adapts and responds to the
evolving needs and wants of East Austin.

ADOPTED:  August 8  , 2019  ATTEST:  Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk

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