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ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN (MAYOR OR CONTROLLER) TO ENTER INTO A THREE-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH HOPE FOR NEW HAVEN / CERCLE, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE MILLION, SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,600,000) TO ADMINISTER AN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM SUPPORTING NEW HAVEN BASED EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE PROVIDERS

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WHEREAS, Section 2-376 (A) of the Code of General Ordinances, "Unless expressly authorized by law or by vote of the Board of Alders, the city shall not be bound by any contract executed after one (1) year from the date thereof. The Board of Alders prior approval is necessary for any city contract that does not go to bid those costs more than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00)"; and,

WHEREAS, The City of New Haven submitted a proposal using the Board of Alders approved City of New Haven American Rescue Plan Act Plan and funding to engage in Early Childhood Education & Recovery Innovation – Workforce Development; and,

WHEREAS, The City of New Haven published a request for proposal to enter a contract with a vendor; and,

WHEREAS, the vendor chosen by the review panel was Hope for New Haven / CERCLE, Inc. ; and,

WHEREAS, The City is seeking approval to enter into a three-year, six month agreement with an estimated timeframe of July, 1 2023 to December 30, 2026, depending on Board of Alder Approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED by the New Haven Board of Alders that the City Mayor or Controller be authorized to enter into a three-year, six-month agreement, effective July 1, 2023, with the Hope for New Haven/CERCLE,Inc. for a total cost of \$1,600,000.