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Hon. Tyisha Walker
President, New Haven Board of Alders
165 Church Street
New Haven, CT 06510-2010

Dear President Walker,

We are pleased to submit this Resolution to support the acceptance of funding of approximately \$100,000 from the State of Connecticut and to enter into Agreements for installation of future public artworks on CT DOT property in New Haven. Approximately five underpass sites have been identified for funding by State of Connecticut Governors Office and CT DOT as part of Covid 19 response to support local artists and youth initiatives and provide opportunities for safe outdoor activities. The resolution would allow the Mayor to execute accept funds and enter into maintenance agreements with the Connecticut Department of Transportation in accordance with their new policies for artwork on DOT infrastructure, released in late 2019.

For these future artworks, the installation and maintenance of any given artwork will be managed by various City Departments, on behalf of local community groups. This is a requirement of the funding opportunity. The artwork would be selected in a transparent and equitable process based on community support, in accordance with the City's Guidelines for Public Art, adopted by Board of Alders in 2010. The City Plan will support the Arts and Culture in the implementation process.

These future artworks will benefit the public by beautifying public spaces, encouraging pedestrian activity, building community, and celebrating local artists. Furthermore, similarly to the goals of prior and pending underpass artworks, the future artworks will serve to bring people together, to connect neighborhoods and mitigate the effects of highway infrastructure.

Therefore, we are submitting this and respectfully ask for the full Board's support of this resolution.

Sincerely,

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