



# City of New Haven

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RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN TO EXECUTE ENCROACHMENT PERMITS, MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS, AND OTHER PAPERWORK FOR TWO EXISTING PUBLIC MURALS ON STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION UNDERPASSES ALONG STATE STREET, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 2019 DOT PUBLIC ART POLICY.

WHEREAS, public murals and artwork benefit the public by beautifying public spaces, encouraging pedestrian activity, building community, and celebrating local artists; and

WHEREAS, underpasses and other infrastructure can divide communities by serving as boundaries to the walk appeal of an area; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Transportation released "Guidelines for Aesthetic Objects and Treatments within CTDOT ROW" in late 2019 to streamline the process for permitting public art on underpasses and other infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Transportation released a revised agreement template in 2020 to streamline the process for permitting public art on CT DOT underpasses and other CT DOT infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, two existing murals are on DOT I-91 underpasses in New Haven, one on Humphrey by State Street and one on State Street by Warren Street; and

WHEREAS, both murals are required to be approved in accordance with the DOT guidelines and policy before other similar murals will be reviewed by DOT; and

WHEREAS, both murals have maintenance funds managed by third-party fiduciaries that have supported the care and correction of these murals when defaced, without cost to the City, meeting the DOT's requirements for maintenance and care; and

WHEREAS, in the case that these funds are exhausted and not replenished by fundraising, the DOT maintenance agreement's obligation is only to return the wall to a flat color, at incidental cost to the City; and

WHEREAS, continued support for these and other murals on DOT infrastructure would be a positive benefit for the residents of New Haven.

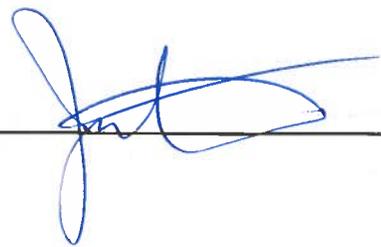
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Alders of the City of New Haven that the Mayor of the City of New Haven is hereby authorized to execute and deliver such

Encroachment Permits, Multi-Year Maintenance Agreements and other such documentation as may be required by the State and/or the DOT and/or any other interested agency of the State (collectively, the "State Agencies") for the purposes of the two existing public murals on State Department of Transportation underpasses along State Street or as otherwise may be deemed necessary or desirable in order to effect the purposes of this Order (the "Existing Murals Project Documentation") which Existing Mural Project Documentation may contain indemnifications by the City of the State or State Agencies involved.

This Resolution was Adopted by the Board of Alders on 2/2/2021.

Attest, City Clerk  Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signed, City Clerk  Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signed, Mayor  Date 5/17/2021