

RESOLUTION NO. ___ OF 2022

A RESOLUTION TO CELEBRATE SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY MUSEUM OF ART AT SHREVEPORT'S 20TH ANNIVERSARY, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

COUNCILMEMBER: LEVETTE FULLER

WHEREAS, the mission of the Southern University Museum of Art at Shreveport (SUMAS) is to assure that the art, artifacts, and other treasured works of Africans, African-Americans and their descendants are accessible to the community in an organized and cherished collection, in a place of historic significance on the campus of Southern University at Shreveport; and

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the SUMAS to provide an array of learning experiences to a variety of audiences, and to serve as a resource for diverse communities through the imaginative use of the museum and its collections; and

WHEREAS, SUMAS is primarily aimed at educating the public about the history of African and African-Americans through the artistic, historical and cultural contributions they have made to the American experience; and

WHEREAS, SUMAS features African art from the major art-producing regions of Africa including: Mali, Nigeria, the Ivory Coast of West Africa, Cameroon, and the Congo and includes over 300 artifacts and represents the foundation of the museum's permanent collection of African art; and

WHEREAS, the Museum features African-American art from the permanent collection of the Southern University Museum of Art in Baton Rouge;

WHEREAS, SUMAS will celebrate their 20th anniversary on February 24, 2022.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, acting in due, regular, and legal session convened, that the City Council hereby celebrates the 20th anniversary of the Southern University Museum of Art at Shreveport.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be executed in duplicate originals with one original presented to the Shreveport University Museum of Art Shreveport, and the other resolution filed in perpetuity in the office of the Clerk of Council for the City of Shreveport.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

City Attorney's Office