

RESOLUTION NO. 125 OF 2022

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MINICINE FOR ALLOWING ARTISTS TO SHOWCASE THEIR TALENTS IN MUSIC AND FILMS AND THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

BY: COUNCILMAN LEVETTE FULLER

WHEREAS, Minicine opened in 1995 as a place for independent filmmakers to show their work and where cinephiles come and see experimental films; and

WHEREAS, over the years, owner David Nelson began allowing artists to open galleries and musicians to play shows; and

WHEREAS, Minicine is an all-ages space that is unique, because Nelson does not make any money from the artists, musicians and filmmakers using the space; and

WHEREAS, Minicine allows musicians and film makers using the space to operate as a free and open space for anyone to showcase their work without the fear of going under from fees and lack of ticket sales; and

WHEREAS, Minicine allows the artists to keep 100% from all sales; the filmmakers host screenings at no charge and the musicians keep all donations from the audience; and

WHEREAS, Minicine became a place where local kids on skateboards could come and hang out while listening to local bands and check out local art; and

WHEREAS, Minicine gave “outcast” kids a safe place in Shreveport to be themselves with encouragement from Nelson; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that the City Council recognizes Minicine for allowing artists to showcase their talents in music and films.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications and to this end the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

City Attorney's Office