WHEREAS, Ijams Nature Center, Inc. is a non-profit association with the mission to encourage stewardship of the natural world by providing an urban green space for people to learn about and enjoy the outdoors through engaging experiences; and

WHEREAS, said association has undertaken the project of providing the ninth annual Wonder of Hummingbirds Festival, designed to provide an opportunity for visitors to get close to hummingbirds and learn about them in a way that is harmless to the birds; and

WHEREAS, the association is requesting financial sponsorship to support the festival; and

WHEREAS, Council is of the opinion that said project is worthy and worthwhile of Council’s financial support; and
WHEREAS, there exists within that portion of the Community Improvement (202) Fund available for use upon motion of the councilmembers representing the Second (Andrew Roberto-$100), Fourth (Lauren Rider-$250), and Sixth (Gwen McKenzie-$250) Council Districts the sum of SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS ($600.00) which sum may be donated to Ijams Nature Center, Inc. as financial assistance toward the ninth annual Wonder of Hummingbirds Festival; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in that it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health and safety that this Ordinance take effect immediately upon its passage.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE:

SECTION 1: There is hereby appropriated from that portion of the Community Improvement (202) Fund available for use upon motion of the councilmembers representing the Second (Andrew Roberto-$100), Fourth (Lauren Rider-$250), and Sixth (Gwen McKenzie-$250) Council Districts the sum of SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS ($600.00) and said sum is hereby donated to Ijams Nature Center, Inc. to be utilized as previously described.

SECTION 2: An emergency is declared to exist in that it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, and safety that this Ordinance take effect immediately upon its passage.

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Presiding Officer of the Council

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City Recorder