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Date December 23, 2013

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LETTERS IN SUPPORT OF GRANT APPLICATIONS
BY GREATER DES MOINES PUBLIC ART FOUNDATION FOR FUNDING A
PROPOSED ART INSTALLATION ON THE 6TH AVENUE BRIDGE OVER
THE DES MOINES RIVER**

WHEREAS, the Greater Des Moines Public Art Foundation is a non-profit organization that funds and administers a program to advance public art throughout Greater Des Moines; and,

WHEREAS, the National Endowment for the Arts ("NEA") offers its Our Town Grant Program that is intended to develop creative placemaking initiatives with the arts at their core and the program offers a limited number of grants in amounts ranging from \$25,000 to \$150,000; and,

WHEREAS, the Iowa Legislature has authorized \$1 million for the Iowa Great Places Program in fiscal year 2014; and,

WHEREAS, the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs is accepting applications to fund eligible infrastructure projects and designate new Iowa Great Places for fiscal year 2014; and,

WHEREAS, the Greater Des Moines Public Art Foundation will be submitting grant applications to the NEA and Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs in January 2014 to aid in funding a proposed art installation on the 6th Avenue Bridge over the Des Moines River; and,

WHEREAS, the Greater Des Moines Public Art Foundation and 6th Avenue Corridor, Inc., have asked that the City of Des Moines support their efforts to continue the revitalization of 6th Avenue through this initiative; and,

WHEREAS, the NEA and Iowa Great Places grant applications require a letter in support be signed by the Mayor and Community Development Director.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the Mayor and Community Development Director are hereby authorized and directed to sign and submit letters in support of the Greater Des Moines Public Art Foundation's grant applications to the National Endowment for the Arts and to the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs, to aid in funding a proposed art installation on the 6th Avenue Bridge.

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MOVED by Mahaffey to adopt.

FORM APPROVED:

Roger K Brown

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Assistant City Attorney

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COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
GRIESS	✓			
HENSLEY	✓			
MAHAFFEY	✓			
VOSS	✓			
MOORE	✓			
TOTAL	7			

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

Y. M. Franklin Coonie
Mayor

Diane Rauh
City Clerk