

# Charlotte Center City Partners Resolution

## In Support of Arts and Culture in our City

**WHEREAS**, the Center City's enduring legacy of planning and public-private support for arts and culture has contributed quality experiences and inspiration for residents from all walks of life; and;

**WHEREAS**, that legacy of support has resulted in dozens of diverse arts, science and history venues large and small, and;

**WHEREAS**, cultural organizations are one of the foundations of the economic engine that are core to our healthy region; and

**WHEREAS**, arts and culture play an important a role in our ability to attract and retain talent and major employers, and;

**WHEREAS**, arts and culture are essential components in the creation of a healthy vibrant community; and;

**WHEREAS**, the arts can play a crucial role in business innovation and creativity; and;

**WHEREAS**, there are 35,000+ works of art in the Mint Museum's collections, more than 1,400 works of art in the Bechtler's collection, the 45th anniversary for the Center for African-American Arts + Culture and 10th of the Uptown Harvey B. Gantt Center, 120+ yearly performances at Blumenthal Performing Arts, 28 professional dancers at Charlotte Ballet, 22 unique performances in the 2019-2020 Charlotte Symphony season, 75+ works of public art in Center City, 1,000+ artifacts in the Cottonfields to Skyscrapers exhibit at the Levine Museum of the New South and 425,000+ visitors to Discovery Place Science and;

**WHEREAS**, there are more than 365 days of music and events, including award-winning parades, arts, events and festivals that showcase the region's talent, artists and musicians;

**WHEREAS**, major and intimate programming at Charlotte Center City Partners (CCCP) includes local, regional art, artists, music and musicians in all we do; from the Music Everywhere, Murals, Vision Awards, Charlotte Shout, 7<sup>th</sup> Street Public Market programming, events and more, and;

**WHEREAS**, the arts are foundational in our community's pursuit of equity and inclusion, and is best served through mission-based organizations in our cultural community, and;

**WHEREAS**, the arts create foundational connections among all peoples and ages, and;

**WHEREAS**, every person in a community can become an artist through words, music, visual art and crafts, and;

**WHEREAS**, the arts feed the soul of a community and create emotional links within neighborhoods and cities, moving communities to connected and beloved places and;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of Charlotte Center City Partners is committed to the value of cultural arts in our city and our community. Be it further resolved that cultural arts are crucial to the economic and cultural development and health of our City and bring value through equity, inclusion and emotional connections in our City and Region. Be it further resolved that the Board of Directors of Charlotte Center City Partners encourages the support of the arts to our stakeholders and elected leaders.

Adopted this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February 2020

  
Pat Rodgers, Chairman