IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION celebrating the work of the Greater Kansas City Hispanic Development Fund to advance the Latino community for nearly four decades.

RESOLUTION NO. 21416, October 2, 2023

INTRODUCED BY Manuel Abarca IV, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, Charlie Franklin, Jeanie Lauer, and Sean E. Smith, County Legislators

WHEREAS, the Hispanic Development Fund (HDF) was established in 1983 to improve the quality of life of Latino families in Greater Kansas City by engaging the Latino community in philanthropy to build stronger communities through grantmaking and scholarship support; and,

WHEREAS, HDF has granted over \$3 million to more than 50 Latino-serving organizations in the Greater Kansas City area; and,

WHEREAS, the HDF Scholarship Program has removed financial barriers to college by providing over \$10 million in scholarships to nearly 6,000 Kansas City Latino students, making it one of the largest Latino-serving scholarship programs in the nation; and,

WHEREAS, HDF has increased philanthropy in the Kansas City Latino community through Cambio para Cambio (Change for Change), a community-led campaign that realizes the philanthropic power of Latino students, families, businesses, and professional organizations; and,

WHEREAS, the HDF Family College Prep Program increases access to college for Kansas City students and families through bilingual family nights, college campus visits, scholarship and FAFSA workshops, and one-on-one college advising; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri that the Legislature hereby acknowledges the work of the Greater Kansas City Hispanic Development Fund, its steadfast belief in advancing the Latino community through higher education, and its role in developing generations of Kansas City Latino leaders; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature celebrates the Greater Kansas City Hispanic Development Fund's commitment now and in the future to Latino students, families, and community in the Greater Kansas City metropolitan area.

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Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
Buyen O. Journal County Counselor	
Certificate of Passage	
I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 21416 of October 2, 2023, was duly passed on, 2023 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:	
Yeas	Nays
Abstaining	Absent
<i>VO.2.2023</i> Date	Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature
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