

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 8908, The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham has established its Community Educational Program (the “Program”); and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Program, the Water Works Board may participate in events and functions if the Water Works Board’s participation: protects its water sources and its consuming public; obtains optimum utility management, improves water quality and system reliability; improves reliability of high-quality water; provides educational, scientific and technological information about the Water Works Board to its consuming public; ensures access to and the wise use of water resources and the protection of the environment; and, engages in such activities that are beneficial to the entire water system and that are otherwise necessary, appropriate and consistent with the Water Works Board’s corporate powers (all of which is hereinafter referred to as “Corporate Purposes”); and,

WHEREAS, under the Program, the Water Works Board has identified non-ratepayer funding that may be used for funding the Program (the “Funds”); and,

WHEREAS, on October 24, 2023, the Music Speaks Louder than Words Foundation will host the Alabama Black Women’s Roundtable that will have a beneficial impact on the Water Works Board’s service area; and,

WHEREAS, the Music Speaks Louder than Words Foundation’s Alabama Black Women’s Roundtable presents the Water Works Board with an opportunity to accomplish its Corporate Purposes; and,

WHEREAS, the Water Works Board desires, subject to the below, to sponsor the Music Speaks Louder than Words Foundation’s Alabama Black Women’s Roundtable in a way that will accomplish the Water Works Board’s Corporate Purposes.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on a motion made by Dr. George Munchus and seconded by Dr. Tereshia Huffman, as follows:

1. It is hereby found and declared that the Water Works Board’s participation in the Music Speaks Louder than Words Foundation’s Alabama Black Women’s Roundtable will accomplish its Corporate Purposes. Specifically, the Water Works Board’s participation in the Music Speaks Louder than Words Foundation’s Alabama Black Women’s Roundtable will allow it to: provide educational information about the Water Works Board to its consuming public; help ensure access to and the wise use of water resources; have signage and distribute educational materials about the positive role that drinking water has on a person’s health; and, otherwise engage in activities that are beneficial to the entire water system and is appropriate and consistent with the Water Works Board’s corporate powers.
2. That the General Manager is authorized and instructed to take such steps as is necessary to sponsor the Music Speaks Louder than Words Foundation’s Alabama Black Women’s Roundtable. Such sponsorship shall include the Water Works Board accomplishing the Corporate purposes set forth above.

3. The sponsorship shall not exceed \$10,000.00 and shall be paid from the Funds. Furthermore, any and all expenses incurred by the Water Works Board such as employee time and educational materials shall also only be paid from the Funds.

Resolution No. 9426 is hereby adopted by unanimous vote on October 11, 2023.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5
APPROVED BY BOARD
BOARD MEETING DATE: 10 / 11 / 23
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