

Whereas: with roots in Africa, Hip-Hop first emerged in 1973 in the Bronx when Kool DJ Herc used an innovative turntable technique that became so popular it grew into a movement; and

Whereas: fifty years after its birth, the impact of Hip-Hop can be seen in nearly every area of pop culture, including dance, fashion, art, media, politics, education, entertainment, and many musical genres; and

Whereas: Hip-Hop Appreciation Month provides the opportunity to celebrate and come together in our community to share its history, knowledge, culture, and experience; and

Whereas: since August 2012 Family Power Music has showcased the culture of Hip-Hop in the City of Racine with the *Origins of Hip-Hop*, one of the most highly anticipated local events where the beauty and unity of our city's cultural diversities is celebrated; and

Whereas: during the month of August, the City of Racine shall seek to share a mutual understanding of love, peace, and unity, which is highlighted through the beauty of Hip-Hop culture.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Cory Mason, Mayor of the City of Racine, designate the month of August 2023 as Hip-Hop Appreciation Month as we celebrate the

50th Anniversary of Hip-Hop

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have here unto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Racine to be affixed.

Accomplished at the City Hall this 16th day of August, 2023.

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