



Cultural Diplomacy based largely on the presence of the Parthenon; and

WHEREAS, the Parthenon served as the location for the political rally in the climactic scene of Robert Altman's 1975 film Nashville, it was used in the 2000 PBS series Greeks: Crucible of Civilization, and in the 2010 film Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief; and

WHEREAS, the Parthenon also contains an art museum whose permanent collection contains 63 paintings by 19th and 20th century American artists donated by James M. Cowan; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the 125th anniversary of the Centennial Exposition. The Parthenon is currently featuring Looking Back - 125 Years After the Tennessee Centennial Exposition on display in its West Gallery from May 13 through January 8, 2023; and

WHEREAS, for many generations, the world's only full-scale replica of the ancient temple has continued to serve as a beautiful educational and cultural anchor to the city's community, and a testimony to Nashville's love and high regard for Greece and its people, and all that great nation has meant to the world; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the Metropolitan Council recognizes the 125th anniversary of Nashville's iconic Parthenon, and joins the people of Nashville, the U.S. branch of the Hellenic Institute of Cultural Diplomacy, and Philhellenes everywhere in celebration of our beloved Nashville Parthenon.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That the Metropolitan County Council hereby goes on record as recognizing the 125th anniversary of the Parthenon.

Section 2. This Resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.