

Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

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A resolution recognizing the contributions of Keith Durbin to the Metropolitan Government and expressing appreciation for his leadership of the Metropolitan Information Technology Services Department.

WHEREAS, after 15 years of committed public service, Keith Durbin will be leaving the Metropolitan Government; and

WHEREAS, since 2009, Mr. Durbin has served under five mayors as the Chief Information Officer ("CIO") and Director of Information Technology Services ("ITS") for the Metropolitan Government; and

WHEREAS, under his leadership, the Metropolitan Government has established the information security program, the open data program, Metro's owned-fiber network, and Metro Public Wi-Fi, as well as the hubNashville/311 system, the award-winning enterprise Geographic Information Systems ("GIS") service, the enterprise Community Asset and Land Use program, the enterprise information security and digital inclusion initiatives, and more; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Durbin has also been an advocate for Metro employees, championing and starting the Metro Government Employee Emergency Support Fund, which assists Metro employees in their times of greatest need; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Durbin also started the Office of Digital Inclusion and the Nashville Digital Inclusion fund at the Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee. Under his leadership, Nashville was selected as a Visionary Digital Inclusion Trailblazer by the National Digital Inclusion Alliance; and

WHEREAS, at the Esri Public Sector CIO Summit in March of this year, ITS was presented with the 2024 Enterprise Approach to GIS award. This award recognizes a CIO and their organization who led a significant digital transformation of a project, department, or organization using GIS as a foundation; and

WHEREAS, the Enterprise Approach to GIS award also highlights the outstanding work of ITS's GIS team as well as the visionary planning, implementation, and hard work of Mr. Durbin, the entire ITS team, and Metro departments who made this possible; and

WHEREAS, in 2023, he earned the LocalSmart Awards City Executive of the Year award for outstanding leadership in state and local government technology; and

WHEREAS, prior to becoming CIO and Director of ITS, Mr. Durbin served on the Metropolitan Council, representing District 18. He was the first openly gay elected official in Tennessee history; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the Metropolitan Council recognize Keith Durbin for his service to the Metropolitan Government and his tremendous contributions to Nashville and Davidson County.

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

Section 1. The Metropolitan County Council hereby goes on record as recognizing the contributions of Keith Durbin to the Metropolitan Government and expressing appreciation for his leadership of the Metropolitan

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Information Technology Services Department. The Metropolitan Council further goes on record as wishing Mr. Durbin continued success in his future endeavors.

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.