



RESOLUTION #R-__-__

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A TEMPORARY INSTALLATION OF ART ON THE DOWNTOWN MALL BY SERVICE DOGS OF VIRGINIA

WHEREAS, the City of Charlottesville, Virginia (“City”), recognizes the importance of non-profit organizations and the work that they do; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia (“City Council”), may, on a limited and case-by-case basis, authorize the use of City property for artwork or commemorative displays; and

WHEREAS, Service Dogs of Virginia (“SDV”), an IRS 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, has requested approval from the City to temporarily display one (1) life-sized, fiberglass Labrador dog statue on the Downtown Mall at 111 West Main Street from July – September 2026, and a possible other display area on the Downtown Mall at 124 West Main Street from September 2026 – October 2026, during SDV’s public art display, the *Art Unleashed* fund-raising campaign; and

WHEREAS, City Council has reviewed the information provided and finds that the request complies with the role of public art in public spaces in the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by City Council that the City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with SDV to temporarily install and display art on the Downtown Mall for the period from July 1, 2026, through October 31, 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the content, design, placement, duration, and maintenance of the public art display shall be subject to City approval, and that the City retains the right to remove or modify the display, if it no longer satisfies the purposes and criteria set forth in this Resolution; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that this authorization is limited to the public art display described herein and shall not be construed to create a policy, precedent, or public forum requiring the City to permit other private art displays on City-owned property.

Date Introduced: _____

Date Adopted: _____

Certified: _____
Clerk of Council