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**ADOPTED – BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
SEPTEMBER 15, 2023**

**RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AGREEMENTS
BETWEEN THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND THE CITY OF CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL
AFFAIRS AND SPECIAL EVENTS
MALCOLM X COLLEGE**

WHEREAS, the City of Chicago (the "City"), an Illinois municipal corporation, by and through its Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events ("DCASE"), has partnered with City Colleges of Chicago ("CCC") on behalf of Malcolm X College to build educational pathways for artists centered in creative therapy and trauma-informed care. cooperate in the delivery of arts program functions, duties and responsibilities within the City of Chicago and its schools, which arts programs may consist of performance, social practice or visual art activities and installations.

WHEREAS, in support of the Program, DCASE and CCC would like to enter into a agreement effective August 11th, 2023, through December 31, 2024 (the "DCASE Agreement") that includes an investment of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000) from DCASE to CCC to fund the costs CCC will incur in planning, operating and supporting the Chicago Arts & Health Pilot for Creative Workers ("Program"); and

WHEREAS, Malcolm X College will develop a course curriculum project at the College and support implementation of the project as described in Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, DCASE will support a cohort of at least 10 students to enter the Community Health Worker (CHW) program; and

WHEREAS, CHW program completers will be offered an apprenticeship within Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) mental health clinics; and

WHEREAS, Malcolm X College will develop a continuing education course titled Arts Methods for Community Health, which will focus on creative strategies to address health inequality and arts-based strategies to support recovery from illness and injury; and

WHEREAS, Malcolm X College will advise DCASE on recruitment strategy for program.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of Community College District No. 508, County of Cook and State of Illinois, as follows:

The Board hereby authorizes the Chair, upon final approval of the General Counsel of the legal form of such agreement, to execute an intergovernmental agreement between the Board and DCASE in which DCASE agrees to provide up to \$7,000 (the "Funds") to the Board for program costs for the Chicago Arts & Health Pilot for Creative Workers Program.

September 15, 2023 –Malcolm X College

AGREEMENT EXHIBIT A

Scope Summary for City Colleges-DCASE IGA

Course Curriculum Project

Chicago Arts & Health Pilot for Creative Workers

Dates: August 11, 2023 – December 31, 2024

Compensation: \$7000

Summary:

Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events (DCASE) launched a pilot program this year that explores career pathways for artists centered in creative therapy and trauma-informed care. In partnership with Malcolm X College (MXC), DCASE is recruiting a cohort of 10 artists to complete the CHW basic certification program at MXC beginning in the Fall 2023 semester. The students will then move on to complete an apprenticeship sponsored by MXC at CDPH's network of mental health clinics. In addition to the existing core curriculum, MXC will design and develop a new continuing education course, **Arts Methods for Community Health**, which will focus on creative strategies to address health inequality and arts-based strategies to support recovery from illness and injury. MXC's participation in this program will enhance our ability to integrate new strategies into the CHW curriculum that can equip CHW students to foster wellbeing and address social isolation and trauma in their communities.

Designed course modules will center creative approaches to promote community health including:

- Storytelling tools/strategies
- Community engagement strategies
- Culturally responsive approaches
- Trauma-informed practice
- Artistic methods for health advocacy

Learning outcomes for students will include:

- Communicate with a diverse patient population using effective oral and written communication
- Understand the fundamentals of epidemiology
- Identify the role nutrition plays in health
- Understand common mental health issues
- Understand the foundations of arts in health as a field and practice
- Identify, understand, and practice creative wellness strategies in different arts modalities (visual, literary, performing arts/embodiment)

Additional items Malcolm X College will assist in coordinating include:

- Advising on recruitment plan
- Distributing the call for artists
- Finalizing the course sequence and schedule for the artist cohort (5-10 artists)