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To Announce a New Process for the Identification of Minority Vendor Contract Participation

WHEREAS, Council Member Nicholas J. Bankston in partnership with both the Mayor’s Office of Diversity and Inclusion, and the City Clerk’s Office, has developed a new process meant to improve the city’s communication regarding the diversity of its contracts; and

WHEREAS, starting Monday February 20th, 2023, all legislation drafters must begin identifying all legislation that contain city contracts with minority vendor participation by either a prime contractor, subcontractor, or both; and

WHEREAS, identification will be limited to the following city certifications: Minority Business Enterprise (MBE), Women Business Enterprise (WBE), Veteran Business Enterprises (VET), Emerging Business Enterprises (EBE), Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Business Enterprise (LGBTBE), Small Local Business Enterprise (SLBE); and

WHEREAS, Council urges all city staff to join in our efforts to further diversify the city’s procurement policies, procedures and contract portfolio; and

WHEREAS, Council greatly values the community partners who continue to advocate for the city to progress in providing economic opportunity and representation for minority communities; and

WHEREAS, Columbus is a city that perpetually strives to improve its diversity, equity and inclusion efforts; **now, therefore**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS: That this Council does hereby announce

a new process for the identification of minority vendor contract participation.