

Legislation Text

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**BACKGROUND**: This legislation authorizes the Director of the Department of Finance & Management to contract with Vengeance Shall Be Mine, LLC, to provide support for production of the John Travolta film "I am Wrath". This film was shot in and around the City of Columbus during the months of February and March, 2015. Filming locations included the State House, Merion Village, Bexley, among other Columbus locations. The film has production costs exceeding \$10 million, which resulted in additional proceeds being invested in the local economy, including hotels, restaurants, and transportation. The film will also be instrumental in promoting the City of Columbus as a favorable location for future film productions.

Emergency action is requested so that an immediate payment can be made.

**FISCAL IMPACT**: Funding for this contract is available in the 2015 General Fund budget.

To authorize the Director of the Department of Finance & Management to contract with Vengeance Shall Be Mine, LLC to provide support for production of the John Travolta film "I am Wrath"; to authorize the expenditure of \$19,000.00 from the general fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$19,000.00)

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the Director of the Department of Finance and Management to enter into a contract with Vengeance Shall Be Mine, LLC to support production of the John Travolta film "I am Wrath"; and

**WHEREAS**, this film was shot in and around the City of Columbus and has production costs exceeding \$10 million, which resulted in additional proceeds being invested in the local economy, including hotels, restaurants, and transportation. This film will also be instrumental in promoting the City of Columbus as a favorable location for future film productions; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Finance & Management in that is immediately necessary to authorize the Director to execute a contract in support of the John Travolta film "I am Wrath" so that payment can be made at the earliest possible time, all for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; now, therefore,

## BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of the Department of Finance & Management is hereby authorized to contract with Vengeance Shall Be Mine, LLC, to provide support for production of the John Travolta film "I am Wrath".

**SECTION 2.** That the expenditure of \$19,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby authorized from the Department of Finance & Management, Financial Management Division, Division No. 45-01, general fund, fund 010, OCA Code 450015, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3336.

**SECTION 3.** That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

**SECTION 4.** That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.