PROCLAMATION Recognizing the Creative Campus Voting Project at the University of Michigan

- WHEREAS, the Creative Campus Voting Project partnered with the City of Ann Arbor to open the satellite city clerk's office at the University of Michigan Museum of Art for the November 3rd, 2020 presidential election; and
- WHEREAS, they partnered with the City of Ann Arbor to open yet another office at the James and Anne Duderstadt Center for the period of forty days leading up to the November 8th, 2022 midterm election; and
- WHEREAS, the Creative Campus Voting Project, through the direction of Professor Stephanie Rowden and Professor Hannah Smotrich, implemented design principles from the Stamps School of Art and Design to encourage and increase accessibility of voting participation, and provided nonpartisan ballot information for voters; and
- WHEREAS, the Creative Campus Voting Project, staffed by University of Michigan faculty and undergraduate students, helped facilitate 9,317 voter registrations in Michigan; and
- WHEREAS, those efforts resulted in 13,109 absentee ballots being cast during the 2020 and 2022 elections; and
- *WHEREAS, the Creative Campus Voting Project contributed to a culture of encouraging the civic participation that upholds our democracy by empowering voters.*

NOW THEREFORE, I, Christopher Taylor, Mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan, do hereby recognize the remarkable efforts and of the Creative Campus Voting Project at the University of Michigan to increase and encourage voting in the service of democracy in the City of Ann Arbor.

> *I hereby set my hand and seal This 19th day of January 2023*

Christopher Taylor Mayor of the City of Ann Arbor