RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH ART THREAPY STUDIO FOR ART THERAPY PROGRAMMING DURING 2020

WHEREAS, Since 2016, the Library has contracted with Art Therapy Studio to provide art workshops to youth as a means of teaching teens self-expression through artistic media; and

WHEREAS, Art Therapy Studio is a non-profit corporation that was founded in 1967 and is dedicated to the mission of “enhancing individuals’ quality of life through therapeutic art”; and

WHEREAS, The Library is very pleased with the quality of programming offered by Art Therapy Studio and has expanded the number of branches where programming is offered from two branches when the programming was first offered to four branches in 2018 and 2019; and

WHEREAS, Art Therapy Studio has proposed to provide a total of 288 group art workshops during 2020 for up to eight youth per group at the Library’s East 131st Street, Hough, Sterling, and West Park branches for a total fee of $37,376.00; and

WHEREAS, The Library Administration finds Art Therapy Studio’s proposed fee of $37,376.00 to be fair and reasonable and hereby requests that the Board of Library Trustees authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Art Therapy Studio for programming during 2020; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees authorizes the Executive Director, CEO, or his designee, to enter into an agreement with Art Therapy Studio, for art therapy programming during the year 2020 for a total cost not-to-exceed $37,376, which shall be charged to the Learning Centers Fund Account 25670103-53710 (Professional Services) up to the available balance and the remaining amount to be charged to the Founders Fund Account 20380103-53710 (Professional Services) and which agreement shall be subject to the review and approval of the Chief Legal Officer.