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ORDINANCE NO. _____

COUNCIL BILL NO. CB22-0804

SERIES OF 2022

COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE:

Safety, Housing, Education & Homelessness

A BILL

For an ordinance revising Article III, Chapter 11 of the Revised Municipal Code.

WHEREAS, Ordinance Number 309, Series of 2007, established the Denver Preschool Program in the General Government Special Revenue Fund for the purpose of receiving and accounting for the Denver Preschool Program’s portion of sales and use tax receipts as approved by Denver voters in the 2006 election; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance Number 556, Series of 2006, established the Denver Preschool Program for the governance and administration of the dedicated sales and use tax increases and for the purpose increasing access to and quality of preschool programs for Denver residents, also as approved by Denver voters in the 2006 election; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Denver Preschool Program have determined that, through funding separate and apart from the voter-approved sales and use tax increases, Denver Preschool Program can and should expand its capabilities in increasing access to and quality of preschool programs for Denver residents through, among other approaches, utilizing potential state resources; and

WHEREAS, this bill request is an administrative action to revise Article III, Chapter 11, to align with Denver Preschool Program’s purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER:

Section 1. That Section 11-21(b)(2), Article III of Chapter 11 of the Revised Municipal Code is hereby revised to read as follows:

(2) The sole purpose of the corporation as reflected in the corporation's articles of incorporation shall be to administer the Denver preschool program under contract with the city in accordance with the requirements of this article and all applicable laws. The corporation may also administer other preschool programs benefiting early childhood education programs and services

1 for Denver residents, or perform other services, only so long as such programs or services do not
2 conflict with any provision of article III of chapter 11, or conflict with any agreement between the city
3 and the corporation.

4 **Section 2.** That Section 11-22(7), Article III of Chapter 11 of the Revised Municipal Code is
5 hereby revised to read as follows:

6 (7) Disbursement and use of the Denver preschool tax revenues shall be limited to the
7 uses set forth in Article III, Chapter 11.~~In administering the Denver preschool program or expending~~
8 ~~any monies derived from the Denver preschool tax, the corporation shall not discriminate against~~
9 ~~any person on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, age (except as to the age of~~
10 ~~children qualifying for tuition credits), military status, sexual orientation, gender variance, marital~~
11 ~~status, or physical or mental disability.~~

12 **Section 3.** That Section 11-22, Article III of Chapter 11 of the Revised Municipal Code is
13 hereby revised add a subsection (8) which shall read as follows:

14 (8) In administering the Denver preschool program or expending any monies derived from
15 the Denver preschool tax, the corporation shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of
16 race, color, religion, national origin, gender, age (except as to the age of children qualifying for tuition
17 credits), military status, sexual orientation, gender variance, marital status, protective hairstyle, or
18 physical or mental disability.

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1 COMMITTEE APPROVAL DATE: July 13, 2022
2 MAYOR-COUNCIL DATE: July 19, 2022
3 PASSED BY THE COUNCIL: _____ August 1, 2022
4 _____ - PRESIDENT
5 APPROVED: _____ - MAYOR _____
6 ATTEST: _____ - CLERK AND RECORDER,
7 EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE
8 CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER
9 NOTICE PUBLISHED IN THE DAILY JOURNAL: _____;
10 PREPARED BY: Jason Moore, Assistant City Attorney DATE: 7/21/2022
11 Pursuant to section 13-9, D.R.M.C., this proposed ordinance has been reviewed by the office of
12 the City Attorney. We find no irregularity as to form, and have no legal objection to the proposed
13 ordinance. The proposed ordinance is not submitted to the City Council for approval pursuant to
14 § 3.2.6 of the Charter.
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16 Kristin M. Bronson, Denver City Attorney
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18 BY: Jonathan Griffin, Assistant City Attorney DATE: Jul 20, 2022