RESOLUTION NO. 2026-_____

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem at the request of ArtsQuest is desirous of obtaining funds from the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Grant Program of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the amount of $7,000,000, appropriated under Capital Budget Project Itemization Act of 2017-052 and 2020-036, for the purpose of assisting ArtsQuest with the ArtsQuest Turn and Grind Shop project (RACP ME # 3277-00) in the City of Bethlehem, Northampton County, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem considers that this project will assist in reducing unemployment and provide economic benefits to the City of Bethlehem, Northampton County, and the Lehigh Valley region;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Bethlehem that the Mayor and Controller, of said municipality, be authorized and directed to execute all application forms necessary for the $7,000,000 grant which will be passed through the City of Bethlehem to ArtsQuest for the purpose of their project;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Controller be authorized to enter into a Cooperation Agreement with ArtsQuest for the project administration of said project;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Bethlehem has been assured by ArtsQuest that the entities will assume the full local share of the project costs, which will be in excess of the $7,000,000 grant, and also assume responsibility for the project's ongoing operating and maintenance costs;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk of the City of Bethlehem is directed to execute a certificate attesting to the adoption of this Resolution and to furnish a copy of the Resolution to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Sponsored by: /s/ _____

/s/ _____

ADOPTED by Council this day of , 2026.

/s/ _____
President of Council

ATTEST:

/s/ _____
City Clerk