

# CITY OF HAMILTON

## MOTION

Council: August 18, 2023

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR C. KROETSCH.....**

**SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR M. WILSON.....**

### **Simone Hall Mural (Ward 2)**

WHEREAS the City of Hamilton, McMaster University, and the Art Gallery of Hamilton through the Art of Creation Project, an arts-based science translation program and public exhibition project that uses art to explain the importance of being healthy before and during pregnancy to the public, policy makers, and social and healthcare providers;

WHEREAS a series of arts-based focus groups were convened with pregnant women throughout the city, to create community, share information, support, and resources;

WHEREAS Hamilton artists were invited to the Sloboda Lab at McMaster to gain a better understanding of the study and to create an artistic response of their experiences, culminating in an exhibition at the AGH in September 2023;

WHEREAS one of the artists, Lester Coloma, chose to create a mural in a Hamilton neighbourhood, as his response; and

WHEREAS the Simone Hall mural will require ongoing maintenance over the next 5 years.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That up to \$2,500 be allocated from the Ward 2 Special Capital Reinvestment Reserve (#108052) to be used from 2023 to 2028 for the maintenance of a mural on the exterior wall of Simone Hall in the Beasley Neighbourhood through the Art of Creation Project painted by local artist Lester Coloma; and
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.