A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF A SETTLEMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) FOR A TANK FIELD CITATION AT THE 50 WEST THIRD STREET FIREHOUSE

Whereas, by letter dated September 30, 2025, the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works submitted a request to the Board of Estimate & Contract seeking authorization to remit payment in the amount of Five Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Four Dollars (\$5,724) to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for settlement of a tank field citation issued for the 50 West Third Street Firehouse; and

Whereas, following a recent yearly inspection, the State issued a violation for a broken underground storage tank, improper signage, minor paperwork compliance issues, and the absence of a designated Class-C Operator at the Firehouse; and

Whereas, upon notification of the violation, the Department of Public Works promptly corrected the required documentation and is actively exploring the appointment of a permanent Class-C Operator at the facility to prevent future noncompliance; and

Whereas, although the Department anticipated a follow-up inspection to confirm compliance, the State instead elected to impose a monetary penalty in lieu of conducting a second walkthrough; and

Whereas, the total cost of the settlement is Five Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Four Dollars (\$5,724), and sufficient funds are available within the Department of Public Works' operating budget under Budget Code A1640.458; and

Whereas, it is in the best interest of the City of Mount Vernon to resolve this matter expeditiously to maintain good standing with the Environmental Protection Agency and ensure continued compliance with applicable environmental standards; Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That

The City of Mount Vernon, in City Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:, as follows:

- **Section 1. Authorization**. The City Council hereby authorizes the Department of Public Works to remit payment in the amount of Five Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Four Dollars (\$5,724) to the Environmental Protection Agency for settlement of the tank field citation issued for the 50 West Third Street Firehouse.
- **Section 2. Funding Source**. Payment for the settlement shall be drawn from the Department of Public Works' operating budget, specifically Budget Code A1640.458.
- **Section 3. Implementation**. The Comptroller is hereby directed to process said payment in accordance with City fiscal policies and procedures upon enactment of this Ordinance.
- **Section 1. Authorization**. The City Council hereby authorizes the Department of Public Works to remit payment in the amount of Five Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Four Dollars (\$5,724) to the Environmental Protection Agency to settle the tank field citation issued for the 50 West Third Street Firehouse.
- **Section 2. Funding Source**. Said payment shall be made from the Department of Public Works' operating budget under Budget Code A1640.458.
- **Section 3. Directions to Comptroller**. The City Comptroller is hereby directed to process the above payment in accordance with all applicable City fiscal policies and procedures upon passage of this Resolution.
- Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its approval by the Board of Estimate & Contract.