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Commissioner

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Honorable City Council Members
City of Mount Vernon
1 Roosevelt Square
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Re: Community Baby Shower

Honorable Councilmembers:

The Department of Recreation, in collaboration with Senator Bailey's office, requests that the City Council adopt an Ordinance allowing us to co-sponsor the Annual Community Baby Shower. This event, scheduled for Friday, May 10, 2024, from 4 pm - 6 pm at the Doles Community Center- 250 South 6th Avenue, Mount Vernon, NY, is a significant opportunity for us to contribute to the well-being of our community.

The Community Baby Shower is a heartwarming initiative designed to offer practical assistance, emotional support, and a sense of community to expectant parents and families. The event aims to alleviate the financial burden often associated with preparing for a new baby while empowering parents with valuable knowledge and skills by providing essential baby supplies, educational resources, and a supportive environment. Beyond material assistance, the Community Baby Shower fosters connections among families, healthcare professionals, volunteers, and local organizations, creating a network of support that extends well beyond the event itself. Ultimately, the Community Baby Shower celebrates the joy of new life and underscores the importance of collective care and compassion in ensuring that every child receives a warm welcome into the world.

The Recreation Department's level of co-sponsorship involves using the Doles, donating supplies, and providing additional staffing for the event. The cost should not exceed \$2,500.00 and will be satisfied from account code A7310.104.

We thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Commissioner Kathleen Walker- Pinckney

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