

**THIS IS A DRAFT AND WILL BE REPLACED BY THE FINAL, SIGNED
ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.**

ORDINANCE

**AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO'S ACCEPTANCE OF A
STATUE OF SAN FRANCESCO DI PAOLA DONATED BY SAM J.
GRECO AND FAMILY AND APPROVING A DONATION
AGREEMENT.**

WHEREAS, San Antonio has a rich history of immigrant communities creating a home in San Antonio and thriving and at the end of the nineteenth century, the Italian community in San Antonio flourished on what is now the northern edge of downtown and founded the Christopher Columbus Italian Society in May 1890, built the Italian Catholic Church (San Francesco di Paola) in 1927, and the Italian Hall in 1928 – making it one of the oldest Italian societies in the country; and

WHEREAS, on August 13, 2020, with the support and request of the Italian Society and its Board, City Council voted to rename Christopher Columbus Park to Piazza Italia Park and permanently remove the Christopher Columbus statue from the park and with the renaming of the park, the City of San Antonio continued to honor the significant contributions Italian immigrants made to San Antonio in the heart of their former neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, with the goal to further honor the contributions of Italian Americans in San Antonio, Sam J. Greco financed the commission of a six-foot bronze statue of San Francesco di Paola, the patron saint of Calabria, Italy and of boatmen, mariners, and naval officers, with the intent to donate the statue to the City for installation on the pedestal where the Columbus statue was once placed and plaques detailing the history of the area and contributions of Italian Americans in San Antonio are proposed for each side of the pedestal and will be developed in collaboration with the City of San Antonio's Office of Historic Preservation; and

WHEREAS, all expenses for the sculpture and installation are covered with the donation, as well as five percent of the sculpture's value for any future maintenance of the piece, as is required under the City of San Antonio's Public Art Policy; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The terms and conditions of a Donation Agreement between the City of San Antonio and Sam J. Greco for the donation of the statue of San Francesco di Paola are authorized and approved. The City Manager, or his designee, is authorized to execute the Donation Agreement, previously executed by Sam J. Greco and attached to this Ordinance as Exhibit I.

SECTION 2. The funds and donation received for this Ordinance will be deposited table below:

Amount (\$)	General Ledger No.	Cost Center	Fund No.	Internal Order No

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04/20/23
Item No. _____

\$77,000.00	6500000		29828000	828000000009
\$3,850.00	4502220	2890900001	29828000	828000000012

SECTION 3. The donation of property and/or services to the City of San Antonio must comply with GASB 33 and AD 8.8. All necessary information must be coordinated through the City's Finance Department to assure the recording of the proper accounting transactions.

SECTION 4. The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Deputy Chief Financial Officer, City of San Antonio. The Deputy Chief Financial Officer may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocations to specific Cost Centers, WBS Elements, Internal Orders, General Ledger Accounts, and Fund Numbers as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it shall be effective ten days after its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 20th day of April, 2023.

M A Y O R
Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Debbie Racca-Sittre, City Clerk

Andy Segovia, City Attorney