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January 30, 2023

Honorable City Council
Newton City Hall
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Councilors:

I respectfully submit a docket item to your Honorable Council that has been brought forward by our Commission on Disability requesting authorization to appropriate and expend \$1500.00 from Acct # 5518R114-335518 Handicapped Parking Fines to Acct # 0110851-579700 Law Department Grants to engage the Me2/ Orchestra to give a concert to the Newton community on May 7 at 3:00 p.m., in the Newton North High School Auditorium.

May is Mental Health Awareness month and this event is to promote and support community members living with mental illness. The members of the Me2/ Orchestra have mental illness or are caregivers of family members living with mental illness.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Ruthanne Fuller
Mayor

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MEMO

Date: January 30, 2023

To: Mayor Fuller

From: Newton Commission On Disability

Subject: Request to Docket Expenditure of COD Fines Funds to pay for Me2/
Orchestra Concert in the amount of \$1500.00

Dear Mayor Fuller,

Over the course of 3 COD 2022 meetings, July, September, and October, , the Newton Commission On Disability gave their enthusiastic support to engage the Me2/ Orchestra to give a concert on May 7, 2023, at 3PM, in the Newton North High School Auditorium. The fee for this concert is \$1500.00.

The COD members strongly feel this is an appropriate use of the Fines funds, to raise awareness of Mental Health Disabilities in the community. May is Mental Health Awareness month. The COD respectfully requests the docketing of \$ 1500.00 to be appropriated from the COD Fines account to pay the performance fee in order to hold this important community event.

The Fines account where these funds would be drawn from is:

Account # 5500-335518 H-P. Fines-Disability Commission
Type: Receipts Reserved for Appropriation (These funds have to go before the City Council to be appropriated before being used)
Balance: \$38,499.60

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

