

**CITY OF MANKATO
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING OPERATING AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE CITY OF MANKATO AND VISIT MANKATO**

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.190 and the Lodging Tax Section of the City's Code, authorizes the imposition of a tax of three percent on the gross receipts from the furnishing of lodging within the city to fund a local convention or tourism bureau for the purpose of marketing and promoting the city or town as a tourist or convention center; and

WHEREAS, the City has the right to enter into a separate agreement with an agency to provide for the purposes of marketing and promoting City as a tourist or convention center using lodging tax proceeds; and

WHEREAS, Visit Mankato is engaged in and is willing to provide marketing and promotion services for the City of Mankato, which will include marketing and promotion of the city as a tourist and convention center and promotion of the City's convention center, known as the Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mankato finds marketing and promotion services provided in conjunction with Visit Mankato and the convention center staff to be in the best interests of the city.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MANKATO, MINNESOTA, that the Mayor and City Manager are authorized to execute the Operating Agreement between the City of Mankato and Visit Mankato,

This resolution shall become effective upon its adoption and without further publication

Passed this 25th day of November 2024.

Najwa Massad
Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Rena Kopischke
City Clerk