## **RESOLUTION NO.**

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2	WHEREAS, child care costs account for a significant portion of a family's
3	budget and the Austin City Council continues to address barriers that have been
4	identified as the biggest cost drivers of opening, expanding and/or operating these
5	facilities; and
6 7	WHEREAS, a report by the think tank The Center for American Progress
8	mapped child care deserts across the country and brought national attention to child
9	care deserts in Austin, including in some areas of our city where the largest
10	populations of children from low income families live, and;
11 12	WHEREAS, the City of Austin Strategic Direction 2023 Plan, under the
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14	care costs; and
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24 25	WHEREAS, Austin Public Health (APH) was the lead department assigned
26	and convened and facilitated a Quality Child Care & Pre-K3 Resolution Working
27	Group (Working Group) as well as coordinated with other City Departments and
28	community stakeholders to gather community wide data and input on policy,
29	practices, and funding priorities to help develop the information responsive to the
30	requests in the City Council Resolution 20170928-057; and
31 32	WHEREAS, the High Quality Child Care and Pre-K3 Report, in response to
33	Council Resolution No. 20170928-057, provides extensive community data and the
34	Working Group developed a list of items for Council consideration; and
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36	WHEREAS, some of the Working Group recommendations have already
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cs by June 9, 2019.
ATTEST: Jannette S. Goodall City Clerk
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