

RESOLUTION NO. 42 - 2015

**RECOGNIZING** Stevontay Davis for his extraordinary academic accomplishments and community service achievements, all while overcoming personal adversity; and expressing the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for Stevontay’s commitment to academic excellence.

WHEREAS, Stevontay Davis has demonstrated academic excellence by ranking second in his 2015 graduating class at Robert A. Taft Information Technology High School (“Taft High School”) with a grade point average of 4.05 while engaging in a rigorous course of study that included AP Calculus and English Composition, and earning college credits in Human Geography; and

WHEREAS, Stevontay Davis was elected Senior Class President, is a member of Young Scholars, the Technology Club, Cincinnati Youth Collaborative, and Jobs for Cincinnati Graduates, and serves as student ambassador at Taft High School; and

WHEREAS, Stevontay Davis maintained academic excellence while both engaging in community service and volunteer activities with Meals on Wheels, the Cerebral Palsy Foundation, Vision Day Care, and Hearts of Kindness and working at Losantiville Country Club and the Hilton Hotel; and

WHEREAS, despite having experienced homelessness, Stevontay Davis focuses not on his past, but on his future, making the attainment of a college education a personal goal, working hard to achieve that goal without letting the negatives in his environment become obstacles, and motivating himself to turn hardships into learning opportunities by working hard and staying positive; and

WHEREAS, Stevontay Davis’ hard work, academic excellence and community service have earned him Young Scholars and Advocates for Youth scholarships and acceptance to The Ohio State University where he will be attending college beginning this fall; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the Mayor and Council of the City of Cincinnati recognize the academic excellence of Stevontay Davis and express sincere appreciation for his accomplishments, naming him as the first recipient of the 2015 City of Cincinnati Youth Award.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that copies be sent to Stevontay Davis of Cincinnati.

Passed: May 20, 2015

Attest: Quasha Williams  
Acting Clerk

Jh Carley  
Mayor

Submitted by Councilmember Yvette Simpson