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HR_____ COMMENDING VERONICA VERY ON HER ACCOMPLISHMENTS AS AN
INSPIRING LEADER AND VISIONARY.

WHEREAS, highest commendations are herein presented
to Veronica Very, founder and visionary behind Wonder of
Women International and the exciting new cultural
destination, WOW Gallery; she is the creative force behind
the "Dear Sista, I See You" Healing Art Exhibition, boldly
centering Black Women, Black Love, and the Black Community
in the heart of Downtown Seattle's Pacific Place Mall; and

WHEREAS, people of all races, cultures, backgrounds,
and walks of life feel seen and find themselves immersed in
the spaces she creates for healing, education, ancestry, and
liberation; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Very is a thought-provoking speaker,
teacher, and writer who compels the audience to remember
their power and activate their purpose; her work inspires
and empowers healing from systemic racial and emotional
traumas guided by simple healing pathways, the ancestral
practice of storytelling, and the undeniable power of art;
her efforts foster community and provide spaces for
reflection, renewal, restoration, and rejuvenation; and

WHEREAS, she has received numerous accolades,
including the Puget Sound Business Journal's Woman Leader in
Business Award, the Seattle Storm's Woman of Influence



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29 recognition, the Community Catalyst Award from the
30 University of Washington Evans School of Public Policy and
31 Governance, and the Best Author Award from the 2023 Soul
32 Cafe Awards; and

33 WHEREAS, her unwavering commitment to the cause of
34 healing justice shines through her partnership with visual
35 artist Hiawatha D., who is not only her business partner but
36 also the love of her life; together, they champion the
37 transformative potential of Black Love in fostering improved
38 health and well-being for both society and the world; now
39 therefore,

40 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
41 LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, That Veronica Very is highly honored
42 and commended for her work, which is a testament to the
43 resilience, creativity, and power of Black women; she
44 continues to inspire and empower, leaving an indelible mark
45 on the world, and we wish her success in all future
46 endeavors.