RESOLUTION NO. 50/3

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE POLICY OF THE CITY OF LAWRENCE, KANSAS, GOVERNING APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR A PUBLIC ART PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, currently 17 states and 31 cities or counties have adopted a percent for art program in the United States in the last 20 years; and

WHEREAS, research indicates that state and local funding for the arts has a measurable financial impact on a state's or local area's economic vitality; and

WHEREAS, the percent of art in public places adds to a community's quality of life and aesthetic appreciation for the arts which can be used as a strong economic development tool; and

WHEREAS, a public art program can create aesthetically pleasing environments within Lawrence city buildings, parks, and other public places; and

WHEREAS, the Lawrence City Commission desires to establish by resolution a process for appropriating and disbursing city funds for art in public places.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LAWRENCE, KANSAS, THAT:

I. POLICY:

The Lawrence, Kansas, City Commission may annually set aside through bond and other normal budgetary procedures an amount not to exceed 2% of the cost of all capital improvements constructed/acquired or contracted for construction/acquisition during the previous fiscal year for the acquisition, purchase, and installation of art in public places.

II. DEFINITIONS:

- A. Capital Improvements: City buildings, (including renovation), parking facilities (including parking lots), park improvements, park land, and recreational facilities, all of which will require city funds in excess of \$10,000 and are listed in the annual capital improvements plan.
- B. Costs: The contracted or engineer's estimated amount of the city's contribution for public building construction or renovation, including land acquisition in the case of park land and parking facilities.
- C. Art in public places: Pieces of visual art placed on public property selected by established procedures and approved by the Lawrence City Commission.

III. PROCEDURES:

- A. The selection process will be the responsibility of the Lawrence Arts Commission with final approval by the Lawrence City Commission.
- B. To facilitate the placement of art in public places, the Lawrence Arts Commission shall recommend the acquisition and placement of public art in accordance with an annual plan adopted by said Commission and approved by the Lawrence City Commission.
- C. The Lawrence Arts Commission shall establish a subcommittee to recommend selection and placement of art. This sub-committee shall be composed of a crosssection of the community and shall consider the following:

- Efforts will be made to obtain a majority of the art work from local and regional sources.
- 2. Art pieces will be selected by open competition, limited competition, and direct selection.
- 3. Regional and national artists, as well as local artists, will be seriously considered.
- Projects conceived and executed by a design team (artist and architect working together) shall be considered.
- D. The Lawrence Arts Commission will develop programs to educate the community before and after the installation of the art work.
- E. The Lawrence Arts Commission is encouraged to work with private corporations for the development of programs providing works of art as part of any building construction.

ADOPTED by the Governing Body of the City of Lawrence, Kansas, this day of the City of Lawrence, Kansas, this day of the City of Lawrence, Kansas, this

Sandra K. Praeger, Mayor

ATTEST:

Vera Mercer, City Clerk