

Ordinance No. 934-2024

**By Council Members Polensek and Griffin
(by departmental request)**

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

Authorizing the Director of Public Safety to enter into one or more agreements with the United States Navy, or its designee, to display two bells and any other memorabilia of the United States naval warship, the USS Cleveland, for a period or periods not to exceed a total of five years, with one or more options to renew not to exceed a total of ten years, exercisable by the Director of Public Safety.

WHEREAS, the USS Cleveland warship, was decommissioned on or about September 30, 2011; and

WHEREAS, part of the ship's inventory were the bronze bells which once may have been onboard an earlier USS Cleveland warship, the USS Cleveland (CL-55, 1942 to 1960), and quite possibly the first USS Cleveland (Cruiser 19, later PG-33 and CL-21, 1903 to 1930); and

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland was designated to receive and display the bells from the United States Navy, or its designee, and the City desires to continue to display the bells which are currently displayed in the Cleveland City Hall Rotunda; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance constitutes an emergency measure providing for the usual daily operation of a municipal department; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND:

Section 1. That the Director of Public Safety is authorized to enter into one or more agreements with the United States Navy, or its designee, to display two bells and any other memorabilia of the United States naval warship, the USS Cleveland, (LPD-7), for a period or periods not to exceed a total of five years, with one or more options to renew not to exceed a total of ten years, exercisable by the Director of Public Safety.

Section 2. That this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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9-9-2024
FOR: Director Drummond

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