Resolution No. 1077-17

Mayor Jackson and Council Member Kelley

FOR PASSAGE September 18, 2017

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION

Supporting the City of Cleveland's bid to host the 2020 National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives Conference; and supporting the civic collaboration and efforts of Cleveland with Destination Cleveland on behalf of hosting the conference in Cleveland in 2020.

WHEREAS, the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives ("NOBLE") serves as the conscience of law enforcement by being committed to justice by action; and

WHEREAS, NOBLE has nearly 60 chapters and represents over 3,000 members worldwide that represent chief executive officers and command-level law enforcement officials from federal, state, county, municipal law enforcement agencies, and criminal justice practitioners; and

WHEREAS, efforts are now underway to submit competitive bids to host the 2020 NOBLE Conference; and

WHEREAS, Cleveland is the optimal location to host the 2020 NOBLE Conference, as it has the resources necessary to host a successful conference; has the right location and venue that will accommodate all aspects of a National conference in a manner that is logistically, comfortably and seamlessly easy to access; and has more than enough hotels located in close proximity to the conference for the convenience of attendees; and

WHEREAS, Cleveland is ranked as the 4th Most Walkable City by PCMA Convene; and WHEREAS, Cleveland has trendy restaurants, lounges and nighttime hot spots complete with live music all within walking distance from the conference location and hotels; and

WHEREAS, Cleveland has top attractions that are found nowhere else in the world including but not limited to, Playhouse Square Theatre District, Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum, the Cleveland Museum of Art, Severance Hall, and the Great Lakes Science Center; and

WHEREAS, easy and convenient access through public transportation is available to many of the attractions and restaurants in the downtown area with complimentary trolleys available from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. with expanded service to the Flats East Bank entertainment area; and

WHEREAS, the City has partnered with Destination Cleveland to achieve a successful bid for the 2020 NOBLE Conference; and

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WHEREAS, Destination Cleveland will provide up to 25 VIP welcome baskets; will

sponsor a luncheon for the Teen Leadership Program for up to 300 youth; will provide special

VIP transportation for the Executive Board; will provide volunteers to assist in the registration

area, in workshops, and for general conference requirements; and

WHEREAS, Destination Cleveland has arranged with several downtown hotels for

discounts and rebates and will offset the meeting space cost at the Huntington Convention

Center with an additional cost savings to take off of the rental of the Convention Center; and

WHEREAS, this resolution constitutes an emergency measure providing for the

immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health or safety in that submitting a

successful bid to host the 2020 NOBLE Conference would have a positive impact in the City and

would be significant for our entire community; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND:

Section 1. That Cleveland City Council hereby expresses full support of the efforts of

Mayor Jackson and the City of Cleveland to submit a winning bid to host the NOBLE Conference

in 2020.

That Cleveland City Council further expresses its full support of the Section 2.

partnership and collaborative efforts of the City of Cleveland with Destination Cleveland in

support of Cleveland's bid to host the NOBLE Conference in 2020.

That this resolution 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 adoption 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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