Resolution No. 790-2025

By Council Member Polensek

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION

Expressing strong support for the continued operation of the Cleveland Job Corps Center and urging continued federal funding for the Job Corps Program.

FOR ADOPTION July 9, 2025

WHEREAS, the Cleveland Job Corps Center, located in the Greater Collinwood Community in Ward 8, provides vital career and technical education to young adults, equipping them with skills necessary for gainful employment; and

WHEREAS, the Cleveland Job Corps Center has been instrumental in fostering a skilled workforce that contributes significantly to the local economy and community development; and

WHEREAS, this Council recognizes the importance of the Job Corps program in offering life-changing opportunities to underserved and economically disadvantaged youth across diverse communities; and

WHEREAS, recent federal actions have placed the continued operation of the Cleveland Job Corps Center in jeopardy, threatening the livelihoods of its students and staff, as well as the economic stability of the region; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland Food Bank built its warehouse in its current location so it would be right next to the Cleveland Job Corps Center; and

WHEREAS, this Council believes that, with the growing demand for vocational and technical training programs, it makes no sense to close the Cleveland Job Corps Center and deny at-risk youth job training opportunities; and

WHEREAS, this Council acknowledges the positive impact of the Cleveland Job Corps Center on the community and the potential adverse effects that its closure would cause; and

WHEREAS, this resolution constitutes an emergency measure for the immediate preservation of public peace, property, health or safety, now, therefore,

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

<u>Section 1.</u> That this Council expresses strong support for the continued operation of the Cleveland Job Corps Center.

<u>Section 2.</u> That this Council urges continued federal funding for the Job Corps Program.

<u>Section 3</u>. That the Clerk of Council is directed to send copies of this resolution to the Ohio Congressional delegation, all members of the Ohio State legislature, and to Ohio Governor Mike DeWine.

<u>Section 4.</u> That this resolution is hereby 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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REPORT after second Reading

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