

December 17, 2024

Blaine A. Griffin, President Cleveland City Council 601 Lakeside Ave. Cleveland, Ohio 44114

Re: Legislation for Passage – "Fair Employment Wage" Pay Band Ordinance Amendments – January 6, 2025 Meeting

Dear Council President Griffin:

I am requesting legislation to be passed <u>under suspension</u> at the January 6, 2025 meeting:

## Sections 4-6, 30-41, 43, and 45

Passage the above-cited sections amends the pay band for all affected non-bargaining classifications with the exception of Section 50 ("Municipal Court Employees"), Section 51 ("Housing Court Employees") and Section 52 ("Clerk of Court Employees").

Specifically, it amends multiple classifications to a minimum rate of either \$15.85 hourly or \$32,968.00 pursuant to Ordinance 189.02 (a)(1) which in part states, "The Fair Employment Wage shall be adjusted by the City of Cleveland on an annual basis, beginning October 1, 2024 and each year thereafter in proportion to the Consumer Price Index for Northeast Ohio, as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor". The minimum rates have been adjusted to reflect the CPI for our region which increased by 3.4%.

This legislation is requested to be passed under suspension as it relates to employees compensation. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (216) 664-2458.

Sincerely,

Matthew J. Cole

Director of Human Resources

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