

November 14, 2025

The Honorable Blaine A. Griffin President – Cleveland City Council 601 Lakeside Avenue, Room 216 Cleveland, OH 44114

RE: Legislation Passed Under Suspension – November 24, 2025

Dear Council President Griffin:

I am writing to ask your support in Introducing and Passing the legislation described below Under Suspension at the <u>City Council Meeting scheduled for Monday, November 24, 2025.</u> The purpose of the legislation is as follows:

The legislation will authorize the Director of Economic Development to enter into a \$750,000 loan agreement with Village of Joy Corporation and/or its designee to support the construction of a 15,000 -square foot Birth Center.

This ordinance requires passage under suspension, as Village of Joy Corporation and/or its designee must close on the loan agreement by year-end in order to meet the New Market Tax Credits deadline. The local development team will be present to provide a full project presentation to City Council on November 24, 2025.

I appreciate your support and understanding in moving this project forward. If you have any questions, please contact me at (216) 664-2204.

Sincerely,

Joevrose Bourdeau Small

Director, Economic Development

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cc: Robin Brown, Nancy Lanzola