# **Resolution No. 1103-2025**

#### AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION

Recognizing September 15th as National Clothing Insecurity Awareness Day, 2025.

By Council Members Howse-Jones and Gray

FOR ADOPTION
September 15, 2025

WHEREAS, on September 15, 2025, grassroots organizations across the nation will rally together to bring awareness to a hidden crisis for children by recognizing the first National Clothing Insecurity Awareness Day; and

WHEREAS, 2 in 5 children in the United States do not have the clothes to adequately dress themselves every day; and

WHEREAS, clean and appropriate clothing for children can be a powerful boost in confidence and self-esteem; help combat bullying and peer pressure; and improve school attendance; and

WHEREAS, in support of National Clothing Awareness Day, PEARLS Girls Closet is conducting "The 1-Piece Promise" campaign unique to the Cleveland area and that specifically targets teen girls: the campaign pledges to find and donate one special, high-quality garment to girls who do not have access to such clothing; and

WHEREAS, this Council believes that bringing awareness to the clothing insecurity of our city's young people can help change the narrative related to clothing and its role in a child's confidence and self-worth; 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:

 $\underline{Section~1.} \qquad \text{That this Council recognizes September 15}^{th}~as~National~Clothing~Insecurity~Awareness~Day,~2025.$ 

Section 2. 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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