

November 6, 2025

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

RE: Legislation Passed Under Suspension – December 1, 2025

Dear Council President Griffin:

I am writing to ask your support in Introducing and Passing the legislation described below Under Suspension at the **City Council Meeting scheduled for Monday, December 1, 2025.** The purpose of the legislation is as follows:

The legislation will authorize the Mayor and the Commissioner of Purchases and Supplies to acquire and re-convey properties presently owned by RJL 2230 SA LLC, and/or its designee, located at 2230 Superior Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44114 for the purpose of entering into the chain-of-title prior to the adoption of tax increment financing legislation authorized under Section 5709.41 of the Revised Code for the Heller Keller Kohn Redevelopment Project.

This ordinance needs to pass under suspension because RJL 2230 SA LLC and / or its Designee has to secure the 2025 tax year as the basis for the TIF, as determined by the date of this ordinance, to preserve the TIF's full impact on the project's gap in financing. The local development team will be in attendance to present the project to City Council on December 1st.

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: Bobby Bruno, Robin Brown, Nancy Lanzola