

RESOLUTION NO. _____, SERIES 2022

A RESOLUTION CALLING ON LOUISVILLE METRO GOVERNMENT TO PRODUCE A REPORT DETAILING BEST PRACTICES TO PROMOTE PUBLIC SAFETY FOR LATE NIGHT BUSINESSES. (AS AMENDED BY SUBSTITUTION)

SPONSORED BY: COUNCIL MEMBER CASSIE CHAMBERS ARMSTRONG AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT DAVID JAMES

WHEREAS, numerous cities have produced documents to provide guidance to late night businesses on how to promote public safety, including Arlington, VA, Washington, DC, Providence, RI, Boston, MA, Nashville, TN, and many more; and

WHEREAS, these best practice documents are not binding on businesses, but rather provide important tools, resources, ideas, and information; and

WHEREAS, these best practice documents have proven to be an important tool in addressing public safety issues that are unique to late night establishments; and

WHEREAS, Louisville enjoys a vibrant late night business scene that is important to the city's identity and economy; and

WHEREAS, Louisville Metro Government is committed to supporting businesses operating in the late night space and to promoting the highest degree of safety at these businesses; and

WHEREAS, a Louisville late night safety best practices guide would provide important tools, resources, information, and advice to those operating late night businesses without imposing any obligations upon those businesses; and

WHEREAS, Louisville Metro Government will produce a best practices report, but any legal requirements for late night establishments would require the enactment of state or local legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT (“THE COUNCIL”) AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: The Council urges Louisville Metro Government to produce a report detailing suggested best practices to promote public safety at late night businesses with extended hours liquor or malt beverage licenses. These suggested best practices should be non-binding upon businesses, should be made available to every business with an extended hours license, and should be periodically reviewed to ensure the reflection of current best practices.

SECTION II: This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and approval or otherwise becoming law.

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Metro Council Clerk

David James
Metro Council President

Greg Fisher
Mayor

Approval Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Michael J. O’Connell
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Proposed FABS O-160-22 Changed to R-092-22 Guidance for Late Night Businesses