

GREG FISCHER
MAYOR

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Councilmembers LOUISVILLE METRO COUNCIL 601 West Jefferson Street Louisville, Kentucky 40202

RE: Resolution Concerning Confidence in Dwayne Clark

Councilmembers,

To summarize my previous letter to you, under Louisville Metro Department of Corrections (LMDC) Director Dwayne Clark, sworn wages are up, inmate populations are down, and employee vacancies have not shown a dramatic decline. In fact, sworn staffing is at 75% at LMDC, which when jails and prisons across Kentucky are 30% to 50% staffed. We continue those efforts and are expanding our team to fast track change and help improve Corrections.

That being said, I know the Council has called for a no-confidence vote in Director Clark. This week, Councilmembers have *also* called for an investigation of Clark's leadership and a review of LMDC. Given the two resolutions, it is my hope that you will conduct your investigation *before* you hold your no-confidence vote. Otherwise, it's finding someone guilty before you even hear the evidence and discern the truth.

In the meantime, you are aware of our improvement plans. Director Clark and his team and the Mayor and his team will continue our relentless efforts to improve. We will build capacity at all levels to accomplish this and continue to seek fruitful collaboration when possible.

Sincerely

Chief of Public Services

cc: Dwayne Clark
Mayor Greg Fischer
Deputy Mayor Ellen Hesen