

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_, SERIES 2020**

**A RESOLUTION URGING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO AMEND SECTIONS OF THE KENTUCKY REVISED STATUTES IN ORDER TO ENABLE POLICE REFORMS.**

**SPONSORED BY: COUNCIL MEMBERS WINKLER, DORSEY, SEXTON SMITH, JAMES, GREEN, AND MCCRANEY**

**WHEREAS**, the Metro Council recognizes the need for police reform that enhances transparency, accountability, and restores the public trust; and

**WHEREAS**, Metro Council heard many of the calls for change raised during the hearings on the approval of the Fraternal Order of Police Collective Bargaining Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, Metro Council expects the administration to include these reforms in the negotiations of a long-term agreement set to begin January 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, many of the reforms that are needed are governed by state law; and

**WHEREAS**, no state lawmaker has yet filed legislation for the 2021 Regular Session of the Kentucky General Assembly addressing police reform.

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

**SECTION I:** With the passage of O-481-20 creating the Civilian Review & Accountability Board and the Office of Inspector General, the Louisville Metro Council encourages the Kentucky General Assembly to grant subpoena power to the Inspector General, in order to facilitate the investigation and review of incidents and operations within the Louisville Metro Police Department.

**SECTION II:** The Louisville Metro Council encourages the Kentucky General Assembly to amend the Kentucky Open Records Act in KRS 61.878(1)(h) and KRS 17.150 to mandate that body camera footage, 911 emergency telephone recordings, and

radio transmissions be released upon request for incidents involving police use of force or potential misconduct, regardless of whether a law enforcement action or administrative adjudication is ongoing.

**SECTION III:** The Louisville Metro Council encourages the Kentucky General Assembly to repeal KRS 67C.326(1)(f), which currently prevents Metro Government officials from making public statements concerning an officer's alleged violation of departmental rules prior to final disposition of any allegations.

**SECTION IV:** A copy of this Resolution will be sent to the Kentucky General Assembly.

**SECTION V:** This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and approval.

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Sonya Harward  
Metro Council Clerk

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David James  
President of the Council

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Greg Fischer  
Mayor

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Approval Date

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:**

Michael J. O'Connell  
Jefferson County Attorney

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