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RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2026

RECOGNIZING Mark Riley, Director of the Department of Public Services, and his team, and **EXPRESSING** the appreciation of the Mayor and the Council of the City of Cincinnati for Director Riley and the Department of Public Services' commitment to keeping the roads of Cincinnati safe during the 2026 January snowstorm.

WHEREAS, Cincinnati experienced a significant winter weather event in January 2026 where the city received the most snow in a single day since 2010, and that brought heavy snowfall and hazardous road conditions across the city; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Services snow removal team took proactive measures prior to the onset of the storm, including pre-treating roadways, staging equipment, and preparing personnel to respond quickly and effectively; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of Director Mark Riley, Department of Public Services employees worked extended hours, overnight shifts, and weekends to plow, salt, and clear city streets, bridges, and major thoroughfares to ensure safe travel for residents and emergency responders; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Services coordinated effectively with other City departments and regional partners to prioritize critical routes, public safety access, and neighborhood streets throughout the duration of the storm and the following days; and

WHEREAS, the dedication, professionalism, and teamwork demonstrated by the Department of Public Services resulted in improved road conditions and enhanced public safety during a challenging winter weather event; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the Mayor and this Council hereby recognize Director Mark Riley and the Department of Public Services team for their commitment to keeping the roads of Cincinnati safe during the January 2026 snowstorm.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that a copy be provided to the Department of Public Services through the office of Councilmember Seth Walsh.

Passed: _____, 2026

Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: _____
Clerk

Submitted by Councilmember Seth Walsh