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An Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_

- 2026

**MODIFYING** the provisions of Chapter 108, "Administrative Services," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code ("CMC") by **REPEALING** Section 108-9, "Press Passes," to streamline the CMC and to express the City's support of open and accessible municipal government.

WHEREAS, Section 108-9, "Press Passes," of the Cincinnati Municipal Code ("CMC") authorizes "[t]he director of safety or the person designated by the director of safety . . . to issue press passes to members of the news media and to adopt regulations for the use of and to set the fee for press passes"; and

WHEREAS, the City no longer issues press passes nor charges any fees related to the issuance of press passes, as most news organizations and media outlets provide press credentials for their employees; and

WHEREAS, Council recognizes the importance of open and accessible municipal government to the citizens of Cincinnati and supports transparency with media outlets; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that CMC Section 108-9 is no longer necessary, is not currently utilized in practice, and should be repealed to streamline and eliminate an obsolete provision from the CMC; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That existing Section 108-9, "Press Passes," of Chapter 108 of the Cincinnati Municipal Code is repealed.

Section 2. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2026

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Aftab Pureval, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk