

## RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - 2020

**EXPRESSING** the City of Cincinnati's support of the bill introduced by Senator Patty Murray (D-WA), Ranking Member of the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee, and Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro (CT-03), Chair of the House Appropriations Subcommittee responsible for funding the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to provide paid sick days immediately to workers in light of the coronavirus crisis, and in preparation for future public health emergencies.

WHEREAS, the United States is facing the spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), and a critical measure to stop unnecessary spread of this and other diseases is to allow workers to stay home when they are sick; and

WHEREAS, many workers in Greater Cincinnati are on the frontlines of customer service and have an increased risk of being exposed to viruses; and

WHEREAS, many workers do not accrue paid time off that allows them to stay home when they are sick without jeopardizing their finances; and

WHEREAS, workplaces around the country are considering temporary closures due to the risks associated with COVID-19, regardless of workers' abilities to telecommute; and

WHEREAS, schools around the country are considering temporary closures as a way to prevent the spread of the virus, and this unexpected need for childcare can also create a financial burden on parents, disincentivizing them from taking unpaid time off work; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. That this Council urge the House and Senate to pass the bill introduced by Senator Patty Murray (D-WA), Ranking Member of the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP) Committee, and Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro (CT-03), Chair of the House Appropriations Subcommittee responsible for funding the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, building off the Healthy Families Act (HFA), to provide paid sick days immediately to workers in light of the coronavirus crisis, and in preparation for future public health emergencies.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that copies be sent to the following people:

**Steve Chabot**  
2408 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

**Brad Wenstrup**  
2419 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

**Rob Portman**  
448 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

**Sherrod Brown**  
503 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2020

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**John Cranley, Mayor**

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

Submitted by Councilmember David Mann