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Mayor Justin Bibb
City of Cleveland
601 Lakeside Avenue
Cleveland, OH 44114

Dear Mayor Bibb,

I am writing on behalf of the Policy Committee of the Cleveland Community Police Commission in regard to your administration's new initiative, *Raising Investment in Safety for Everyone*.

As chair of the Policy Committee, I am tasked with helping lead our work related to the CPC's new, voter-approved authority to oversee and co-create Cleveland Division of Police policies and procedures. We strongly believe that now is the time to engage in deep, ongoing discussion related to the rapidly changing policing situation in Cleveland.

The policy-related topics mentioned in RISE that we would like to collaborate on with your administration and the CDP include:

- Recruitment and retention of police officers;
- Carjacking and car thefts in the context of police pursuits;
- Violence reduction in the context of constitutional police policy;
- Use of aggressive enforcement and increased police visibility; and
- Increased use of surveillance technology and A.I.-assisted data analysis via the Real Time Crime Center, including Automated License Plate Readers (ALPRs), ShotSpotter and street cameras.

Like you, we believe that deep engagement and involvement with the community is crucial for Cleveland to continue to grow. A primary role of the CPC is to "respond to community needs and concerns regarding regulation of the city's police force." This is why we see ourselves as a channel of communication between your administration, the CDP, and the Cleveland community.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to your response and to working with your team. Feel free to reach out to me at 216-832-2102 or pvanlier@clevelandohio.gov.

Sincerely,



Piet van Lier
Chair, Policy Committee
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Cc: Public Safety Director Karrie Howard and Police Chief Wayne Drummond