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**COMMITTEE ON POLICE AND FIRE
MONTHLY RULE 45 REPORT
February, 2025**

Pursuant to Rule 45 of the City Council Rules of Order, the Committee on Police and Fire submits the following monthly report.

On Tuesday, February 18th, 2025, at 10:45 a.m., The Committee on Police and Fire called the meeting to order, pursuant to applicable law, the Chairman determined that remote participation was allowed in case of emergency, per the aldermen that requested. Accordingly, attendance at this meeting was in City Council Chambers, with some members participating virtually.

The following members were present: Mitchell (7), Curtis (18), Tabares (23), Ervin (28), Cardona (31), Sposato (38), Nugent (39), Knudsen (43), Gardiner (45), Clay (46), Vice Chair Robinson (4), and Chairman Taliaferro (29).

The following members participated by remote means: Mosley (21), Taylor (20), and Napolitano (41).

The following members were absent: Hall (6), Lee (11), Silverstein (50).

The following non-members were present: Dowell (3) and Lopez (15).

Vice Chair Robinson called the meeting to order at 10:45 am. The Vice-Chair instructed protocol to be used in the forum. Roll Call was taken and a quorum was established.

Pursuant to Rule 59, Aldermen can request remote participation in extenuating circumstances. Alderwoman Taylor, Alderman Mosley, and Alderman Napolitano requested to participate remotely. The motion to let the members participate remotely was so moved by Alderman Clay.

The Vice Chair opened the floor for public comments. The following public speakers were each given 3 minutes to speak; Charles Spence, George Blakemoore, Jessica Jackson, Tiwon Sims, John Carter, Dod, Tai Tai, and Jasmine Smith. Public speaking was concluded.

Rule 45 Monthly Report for January, 2025

Alderwoman Ervin moved to approve the Rule 45 Monthly Report for January 2025, there were no



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objections, and the motion was ordered based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum.

Item 1 A2025-0014884- Appointment of Marquinn McDonald as member of District Council 002

Vice-Chair Robinson introduced the agenda items before the committee. He indicated Items 2 and 4 and will be held in committee. Vice-Chair Robinson opened the floor for the appointees to make a brief introduction to the committee. The first appointee to speak was Marquinn McDonald. Marquinn McDonald introduced himself to the body and gave an introduction. The following appointee to speak was Keola (Keo) Jean-Joseph. Keola (Keo) Jean-Joseph introduced themselves to the body and made a brief opening statement.

The Vice Chair opened the floor for members and non-members to ask questions to the appointees. The following members asked questions and provided comments to the appointees; Alderwoman Dowell, Alderman Ervin, and Vice-Chair Robinson. The Vice Chair thanked the appointees for providing their testimony.

The Chairman requested a motion for the approval of **A2025-0014884- Appointment of Marquinn McDonald as member of District Council 002**. The motion was so moved by Alderman Ervin. The motion was passed based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum. The motion carries, there were no objections. The item will be reported out for the February 19th, 2025, City Council meeting.

Item 2 A2025-0014886- Appointment of Gina Piemonte as commissioner of Community Commission for Public Safety and Accountability

The Vice-Chair indicated this item would be held in committee.

Item 3 A2025-0014882- Appointment of Keola (Keo) Jean-Joseph as member of District Council 024

The Vice-Chair requested a motion for the approval of **A2025-0014882- Appointment of Keola (Keo) Jean-Joseph as member of District Council 024**. The motion was so moved by Alderman Ervin. The motion was passed based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum. The motion carries, there were no objections. The item will be reported out for the February 19th, 2025, City Council meeting.

Item 4 Direct Introduction – Patrick “Paddy” Lindley as member of District Council 17



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The Vice-Chair indicated this item would be held in committee.

Item 5 *O2025-0014824 - Amendment of Municipal Code Chapter 2-36 by adding new Section 2-36-330 to authorize Fire Commissioner to accept grants of equipment, supplies, materials or other personal property*

The Vice-Chair introduced the item before the committee and had the witnesses, General Counsel for the Chicago Fire Department, Evan Haim, and District Chief Director of Training, Shun T. Haynes, introduce themselves. The witnesses provided a brief background on the ordinance. The Vice-Chair opened the floor for questions and comments by members and non-members. The following members and non-members provided questions and comments; Chairman Taliaferro, Alderman Lopez, and Alderman Sposato.

The Vice Chair requested a motion for the approval of Item 5. The motion was so moved by Alderman Curtis. The motion was passed based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum. The motion carries, there were no objections. The item will be reported out for the February 19th, 2025, City Council meeting.

Item 6 *Direct Introduction – Donation of various items by the Chicago Fire department to the Fire Museum of Greater Chicago*

Vice-Chair Robinson introduced the final item before the committee. He gave the floor over to the chief sponsor of the ordinance, Alderman Lopez. Alderman Lopez provided a brief description of the ordinance. Vice Chair opened the floor for questions and comments; Alderman Sposato and Alderman Ervin provided comments.

The motion was so moved by Alderman Nugent. The motion was passed based on the affirmative vote of all members present for the roll call used to determine a quorum. The motion carries, there were no objections. The item will be reported out for the February 19th, 2025, City Council meeting.

Vice Chair Robinson indicated no further business was before the committee and requested a motion to adjourn. Alderman Mitchell motioned to adjourn the committee meeting. There were no objections. The motion was so moved. The meeting was adjourned at **11:40 am**.