AN ORDINANCE

NO.

An Ordinance amending Section 2-68 of the Columbus Code to provide that the internal auditor/compliance officer shall be solely subject to the direction of the Columbus Council; and for other purposes.

THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1.

Section 2-68 of the Columbus Code is hereby amended by replacing the first sentence so that, as amended, Section 2-68 shall read as follows:

"Sec. 2-68. - Supervision and direction.

The internal auditor/compliance officer shall be subject to the direction of the Columbus Council. Such direction shall be by resolutions, written or oral, which shall include direction to the internal auditor/compliance officer to conduct inquiries and investigations and shall include the purpose and scope of said inquiries or investigations.

The internal auditor shall notify the mayor, city manager and council in writing within three business days of the initiation of any audit. Before such reports are submitted to the mayor, city manager and Columbus Council, the subject of the audit, including but not limited to, the department head, office, commission, board, authority or elected official involved, or their designee, shall file a written response to the report with the internal auditor/compliance officer within ten business days of receipt of the report. The entire report and the result of such inquiries or investigations shall be submitted concurrently by hard copy to the mayor, city manager and Columbus Council."

SECTION 2.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held on the 7th day of January, 2025; introduced a second time at a regular meeting held on the ____ day of _____, 2025 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of _____ members of said Council. voting ____. Councilor Allen voting ____. Councilor Chambers Councilor Cogle voting ____. voting ____. Councilor Crabb Councilor Davis voting ____. Councilor Garrett voting ____. Councilor Hickey voting ____. Councilor Huff voting ____. **Councilor Thomas** voting _____. Councilor Tucker voting _____. B.H. "Skip" Henderson, III Mayor Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council