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RESOLUTION NO. 57 - 2016

URGING Hamilton County Prosecutor, Joseph Deters, to take all steps necessary to pursue a retrial of University of Cincinnati Police Officer Ray Tensing for the shooting, and resulting death, of Samuel DuBose.

WHEREAS, on July 19, 2015 Samuel DuBose, an unarmed black man, was fatally shot by Ray Tensing, a former University of Cincinnati Police Officer, during a traffic stop for a missing front license plate; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Tensing was indicted on charges of murder and voluntary manslaughter by a grand jury in Hamilton County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County Prosecutor Joseph Deters was the Chief Prosecuting Attorney during the trial of Ray Tensing; and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the trial, the jury could not reach a unanimous verdict on either charge, and as a result Judge Megan Shanahan declared a mistrial; and

WHEREAS, a strong majority of the jurors were in favor of convicting Ray Tensing with voluntary manslaughter; and

WHEREAS, justice must be served regardless of the background and ethnicity of the perpetrators and victims; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cincinnati has an interest in carrying out justice for its citizens, including Samuel DuBose's family and friends; now, therefore,

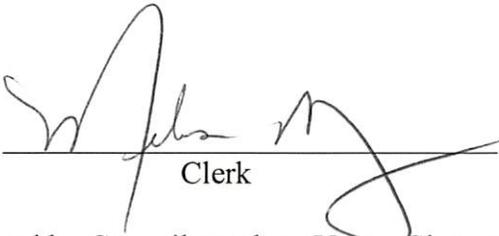
BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

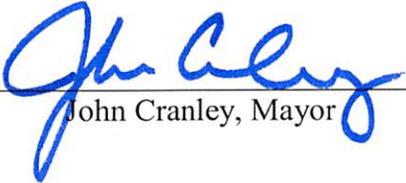
Section 1. That this Council hereby urges Hamilton County Prosecutor Joseph Deters to retry former University of Cincinnati Police Officer Ray Tensing in the shooting death of Samuel DuBose.

Section 2. That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that copies be sent to Hamilton County Prosecutor Joseph Deters; Hamilton County Commissioner Dennis

Deters; Hamilton County Commissioner Chris Monzel; and Hamilton County Commissioner
Todd Portune.

Passed: November 16, 2016

Attest: 
Clerk


John Cranley, Mayor

Submitted by Councilmembers Yvette Simpson and Wendell Young