

ORDINANCE NO. 027 - 2026

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2-496 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO REDUCE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE MAYOR'S INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS ADVISORY COMMISSION TO TWENTY-THREE (23) MEMBERS BY DECREASING THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS FROM AFRICA; ASIA; EUROPE; THE AMERICAS; AND THE MIDDLE EAST, FROM THREE (3) TO TWO (2) EACH.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT:

Section 1 – That Section 2-496 of the Code of Ordinances be and hereby is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2-496. - Membership.

- (a) The commission shall consist of twenty-three (23) members, seventeen (17) of which shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by a majority of the council.
- (b) The seventeen (17) appointed members shall consist of the following:
 - a. two (2) members from the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council;
 - b. fifteen (15) members shall be selected from Lexington-Fayette County foreign-born residents who shall be from and represent the following international geographic areas:
 - i. two (2) representatives from Africa;
 - ii. two (2) representatives from Asia;
 - iii. two (2) representatives from Europe;
 - iv. two (2) representatives from the Americas;
 - v. two (2) representatives from the Middle East; and
 - vi. five (5) members shall be from the community-at-large, from academia or other organizations which specialize in or have specific interests or competencies in global business, immigration, refugees, or international affairs.
- (c) The six (6) remaining members shall be the following urban county government officers:
 - i. the chief administrative officer or designee;
 - ii. the commissioner of social services or designee;

- iii. the commissioner of general services or designee;
- iv. the commissioner of public safety or designee;
- v. the chief development officer or designee; and
- vi. the multicultural affairs coordinator,

all who shall be non-voting ex-officio members.

Section 2 – That this Ordinance shall become effective on the date of its passage.

PASSED URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL: March 26, 2026



MAYOR

ATTEST:



CLERK OF THE URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL
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