

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - 2026

AN ORDINANCE CREATING SECTION 9-2.1 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT, RELATING TO FIRE PREVENTION, TO ADOPT AND INCORPORATE CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE 2024 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE ESTABLISHING REQUIRED STANDARDS FOR CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTION, INCLUDING THE INSTALLATION OF CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS IN EXISTING BUILDINGS, EFFECTIVE ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY (180) DAYS FOLLOWING PASSAGE OF COUNCIL.

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WHEREAS, carbon monoxide is a colorless, odorless gas which poses a hazard to life and safety when undetected in dwellings and other structures; and

WHEREAS, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government is empowered under Section 156b of the Kentucky Constitution, KRS 82.082, KRS 67A.060, and KRS 67A.070 (“Home Rule”) to enact laws which are in furtherance of a public purpose, including laws which promote the health and safety of Lexington-Fayette County residents; and

WHEREAS, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government considers the health and safety of its residents to be of the utmost importance and wishes to enact legislation ensuring that carbon monoxide leaks in homes and other structures do not go undetected, by adopting standards for carbon monoxide detection and requiring the installation of carbon monoxide detectors in existing buildings.

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

Section 1 – That Section 9-2.1 of the Code of Ordinances of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government be and hereby is created to read as follows:

**Sec. 9-2.1. – Standards of safety as they pertain to carbon monoxide detection.**

(1) The provisions of the International Fire Code Section 1103.9, relating to carbon

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monoxide detection, as currently codified and as may be amended from time to time, be and hereby are adopted and incorporated into this section as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2 – That this Ordinance shall become effective one hundred and eighty (180) days following passage of Council.

PASSED URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL:

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CLERK OF URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL