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Council Member, John R. Mirlesina
Room 356-B - City Hall
801 Plum Street
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

Dear Mr. Mirlesina:

I am writing today to express my concern regarding the potential mandatory ban of cigarette smoking in public places in the City of Cincinnati. The encroachment of government on public life continues to erode at our personal liberties. Rather than a complete ban on smoking in public places in Cincinnati, a largely unenforceable task, I would urge that a cooperative effort between smokers and non-smokers be implemented. Possibly, a non-smoking area would be available in public facilities of a certain size or greater. I respect the potential nuisance of cigarette smoke to some people, however, I think we all need to respect the rights of that portion of the population who do choose to smoke.

Please drop me a note at some time to give me your position on this point.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Sincerely,



Thomas M. Norton

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