



December 4, 2020

The Honorable Ian Thomas
Council Member Ward 4
City of Columbia
P.O. Box 6015
Columbia, Missouri 65205

Re: Federal BREATHE Act

Dear Council Member Thomas:

The Human Rights Commission received your request to review the Federal Breathe Act. We discussed the federal BREATHE Act on December 1, 2020. The Commission unanimously passed a motion to write this letter to you, with a copy to the rest of the Council, to acknowledge your request and the importance of it. The Commission agreed to work together to prepare a report to the Council supporting the important concepts within the Act and enumerating those things that can be done at a local level by the City of Columbia. The Commission will continue to explore the federal BREATHE Act and the areas within the control of the City of Columbia at our upcoming meeting(s). You should expect a report from the Commission in the future.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrea Waner".

Andrea Waner
Commission on Human Rights Chair

C: Mayor Brian Treece
Council Member Pat Fowler
Council Member Michael Trapp
Council Member Karl Skala
Council Member Matt Pitzer
Council Member Betsy Peters