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Resolution authorizing the Chief of Police to use the City's Firing Range and Training Academy classrooms and other resources to certify, including to carry concealed firearms, retired City of Pittsburgh police officers under 37 Pa. Code Ch. 221.

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania Title 37, Part IV Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission, Subpart B Retired Law Enforcement Identification and Qualification, Chapter 221 Retired Law Enforcement Officers Identification and Qualification Cards (37 Pa. Code Ch. 221), under the Retired Law Enforcement Identification Act, 53 P.S. Section 753.1 *et seq.* and the corresponding regulations of the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission, 37 Pa. Code Ch. 221 (Subchapters B and C) (collectively, the "Act"), provides for municipalities to qualify the eligibility, requirements (including testing, etc.), contents, issuance, and replacement of identification and qualification cards for retired Pennsylvania law enforcement officers, including the certification to carry concealed firearms, applying rules and regulations and manner of certification (including re-certification, the "Certification"); and

WHEREAS, the Fraternal Order of Police, Fort Pitt Lodge #1, requests that retired officers from the Pittsburgh Bureau of Police be afforded the Certification offered under the Act;

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Pittsburgh as follows:

Section 1. Authorizing the Chief of Police to use the City's Firing Range and Training Academy classrooms and other resources to certify, including to carry concealed firearms, retired City of Pittsburgh police officers under 37 Pa. Code Ch. 221.

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With the following additional provisions, the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby authorize the City of Pittsburgh Bureau of Police to begin offering identification and qualification certification to retired officers as described in the Act**:**

1. The Act shall be adhered to in all respects;

2. All costs of Certification shall be borne by the retiree and/or the Fraternal Order of Police through fees set by the department administering the Certification;

3. At each Certification, each retired officer shall be required to supply a certified letter from a medical physician stating that the retired officer is in good physical condition and mentally stable;

4. Each retired officer shall sign a waiver releasing the City of Pittsburgh from any and all liability for damages, injuries and/or deaths, and from any lawsuits which may arise from such Certification; and

5. The Chief of Police will consult with the City Solicitor to establish a written policy for such certifications and to draft liability waivers to release the City of Pittsburgh from any and all liability for damages, injuries, deaths, and/or from any lawsuits that may arise from such certifications.

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