



RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL TO INITIATE LEGAL ACTION AGAINST E.M.O. TO RECOVER PUBLICLY OBJECTIONABLE LICENSE PLATE FCKBLM.

WHEREAS, the Department of Customer Services, City and County of Honolulu is authorized to provide upon request special number plates pursuant to Haw. Rev. Stat. § 249-9.1; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, the Department of Customer Services provided license plates with the arrangement of letters "FCKBLM," to Edward M. Odquina; and

WHEREAS, the license plates are offensive, publicly objectionable, and has received local and national media attention and criticism; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Customer Services recalled the publicly objectionable license plates by letter dated July 6, 2021, and the Department of the Corporation Counsel demanded return of the publicly objectionable license plates by letter dated June 30, 2022;

WHEREAS, the publicly objectionable license plates have not been returned to the City and County of Honolulu, and the filing of a lawsuit against Edward M. Odquina may be necessary to resolve the issue retrieving the publicly objectionable license plates; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-3.2(b), Revised Ordinances of the City and County of Honolulu 1990, as amended, requires that the Department of the Corporation Counsel obtain the consent and approval of the City Council before bringing legal action against private persons; now therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that:

Pursuant to Section 2-3.2(b), Revised Ordinances of the City and County of Honolulu 1990, as amended, the Department of the Corporation Counsel is authorized to initiate legal action against Edward M. Odquina to obtain a mandatory injunction or other relief to retrieve publicly objectionable license plate "FCKBLM" issued by the Department of Customer Services, City and County of Honolulu; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED by the Council that the Clerk be and hereby is directed to transmit copies of this Resolution to the Department of the Corporation Counsel.

INTRODUCED BY:

A. Fyola

Councilmembers

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

AUG 24 2022

Honolulu, Hawaii