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**MODIFYING** Chapter 308, "Employment Regulations" of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by enacting Section 308-31, for the purpose of requiring all emergency service operators and dispatchers to obtain specialized training relating to emergency dispatch communications.

WHEREAS, the City's emergency service operators and dispatchers handling 9-1-1 calls are often called upon to respond to life-threatening situations involving citizens; and

WHEREAS, Council wishes to impose certain nationally recognized training requirements for its 9-1-1 operators and dispatchers so that citizens can be provided the most helpful and appropriate advice and instruction possible when involved in emergency circumstances; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That Section 308-31 of the Cincinnati Municipal Code is hereby enacted as follows:

**Sec. 308-31. Training Requirements for Emergency Service Operators and Dispatchers.**

Any person employed as an emergency service operator or dispatcher in the emergency communications center must successfully complete the following training courses prior to handling emergency service calls, unless accompanied by a certified trainer:

- (1) A nationally recognized training course for public safety telecommunicators that requires a minimum of 40 hours of instruction; and
- (2) A nationally recognized emergency medical dispatch course.

Section 2. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_, 2013

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Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk