



## **CUYAHOGA COUNTY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**

Friday, May 17, 2024 – 1:00 P.M.

Cuyahoga County Administrative Headquarters

2079 East Ninth Street, Cleveland, OH 44115

4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Committee Room B

### **MINUTES**

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

Attendees: Commissioner Natalia Steele, Commissioner Chad Eggspuehler (virtual), Commissioner Mark Mikhael (virtual), Victor Manolache, Awatef Assad, Kali Wartko, Chris Alvarado, Liam Watters, Elizabeth Katavich

#### **2. MINUTES**

No prior minutes for approval

#### **3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment

#### **4. DISCUSSION**

- a. In 2018, Cuyahoga County Council passed an ordinance enacting Chapter 201.23: Commission on Human Rights and Title 15: Anti-Discrimination. This ordinance was to ensure equal opportunity and treatment for all Cuyahoga County residents.
- b. The Commissioners discussed re-appointing Chad Eggspuehler as chair of the commission and appointing Kali Wartko as the Clerk. Due to two of the commissioners being virtual, these could not be voted on and will be discussed at the next meeting.
- c. Elizabeth Katavich gave a presentation on the County's strategic plan for the Human Rights Commission and its involvement with the community through reactivation, audience, partnerships, and captivity.
- d. Liam Watters gave a presentation on Conversion Therapy discussing potential contracts with youth and mental health professionals.

- e. Cuyahoga County Legal Aid Society is hosting a Know Your Rights event on June 26, 2024, at 9:30am at Cove Community Center, 12525 Lake Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio 44107.

**5. ADJOURN**

Motion to adjourn the meeting. There were no objections.

**Next Meeting: June 14, 2024, at 1:00pm**