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**TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA:**

I am hereby returning unsigned Bill Number 250292, introduced by Councilmember Quetcy Lozada, and passed by City Council on June 05, 2025. Bill Number 250292 would expand certain commercial business curfews by including the entire Seventh and Eighth Council Districts.

When the initial series of business curfew bills passed last year, this administration welcomed their enactment. This decision was based on the limited scope of the prior legislation and its focus on areas with a documented history of late-night crime and disorder. This targeted approach has allowed the administration to deploy limited resources more effectively, focusing on locations where late-night business activity has had the greatest impact on public safety.

Expanding the curfew zone to include the entire Seventh and Eighth Council Districts and additional neighborhoods in the First Council District, however, would dramatically increase both the number of impacted businesses and the geographic area requiring enforcement. This change introduces operational challenges to the administration and to responsible Philadelphia business owners.

For these reasons, I am returning Bill Number 250292 unsigned.

Respectfully,
Cherelle L. Parker
Mayor