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INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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TO: Klarissa J. Peña, President, City Council

FROM: Timothy M. Keller, Mayor

SUBJECT:

Department of Youth and Family Services Progress Report on Implementation of Resolution R-25-186

The Department of Youth and Family Services (YFS) submits this report to provide an update on the implementation of Resolution R-25-186. The report emphasizes creating a welcoming and inclusive space for teens, maintaining consistent operating hours when feasible, pursuing partnerships with schools and community organizations, supporting resource navigation, and convening an implementation and evaluation team to guide this work.

YFS has made progress toward implementation within existing resources. Heights Community Center currently operates as an inclusive, youth-focused environment, and all applicable programming is open to teens ages 14-19. While expanded weekday evening and weekend hours are not currently possible due to staffing and budget constraints, YFS has begun engaging community partners, including initial discussions with local nonprofit organizations, to strengthen programming and services. Efforts are also underway to enhance resource navigation through partnerships and the Teen Connect platform.

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