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MAYOR'S STATEMENT ON THE PROTEST SAFETY ORDINANCE

“While I am disappointed that City Council did not pass our Protest Safety Ordinance, I am encouraged that this has sparked a necessary and hard look at protest safety in our city. I want to thank our vocal critics, who made us better - through the engagement of rigorous debate. I’ve been firm because I believe that this ordinance was a step in the right direction.

Our administration will continue to look for ways to prevent protest violence, while supporting and upholding the First Amendment. We will also continue to talk with community leaders, to look for alternative ways to tackle this very issue. Thank you.” – Ted Wheeler

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