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**From the Office of the Safety-Service Director**

March 19th, 2024

To the Citizens of Mount Vernon,

I am writing to inform you of a critical decision I have made regarding public safety measures within our City. In light of recent safety concerns and to ensure the well-being of our citizens, effective immediately, public parking at the municipal parking garage located at 5 N. Gay St. is prohibited until further notice. This prohibition excludes four handicapped spots located on the 3rd floor of the parking garage, accessible through the N. Gay St. entrance (see attached exhibit). These spots will remain available to the public but only for necessary Court related use.

The decision to prohibit public parking at the municipal parking garage arises from our commitment to safeguarding the public from potential risks and ensuring the limited exposure of vulnerable infrastructure. This directive is a proactive measure aimed at mitigating any foreseeable safety hazards while we continue to plan the transition from the current Municipal Court facility to a new, modern facility in the coming years.

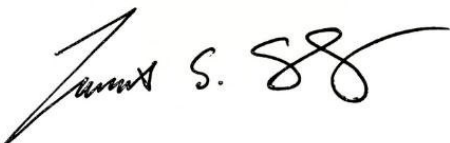
We recognize the inconvenience this prohibition may pose to members of the community who rely on the municipal parking garage for their parking needs. However, the safety and security of our residents and visitors remain our utmost priority.

We kindly request your cooperation and understanding during this period of adjustment. Alternative parking arrangements will be communicated through official channels in the coming days to minimize disruptions.

For any inquiries or concerns regarding this directive, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Safety Service Director at (740) 393-9520 or [safetyservice@mountvernonohio.org](mailto:safetyservice@mountvernonohio.org).

Thank you for your attention to this matter and your cooperation in ensuring the safety and well-being of our community.

Yours in service,



Tanner S. Salyers,  
Safety Service Director