CITY OF SOMERVILLE

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-IN CITY COUNCIL: ______, 2025

Be it ordained by the City Council, in session assembled, that Chapter 7, Article I of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Somerville is amended as follows by inserting the following Section 7-2.

Sec. 7-2. –Parking permit restriction notification.

- (a) Advertisement disclosure: A public communication or announcement, regardless of form, intended to promote the sale or rental of a dwelling unit shall disclose if the availability of parking permits is restricted pursuant to Section 11.2.6 of the Somerville Zoning Ordinances, Section 15-2.1(5) of the Somerville Traffic Regulations, special permit granting authority decision, or other applicable state or local law.
 - (1) If a certificate of occupancy is required for a dwelling unit for which the availability of parking permits is restricted, the certificate of occupancy may not be issued until the owner or agent provides to the Inspectional Services and Parking Departments an affidavit certifying compliance with the requirements of §7-2(a).
- (b) Notification requirement: Prior to the execution or renewal of a rental or sale agreement for a dwelling unit for which the availability of parking permits is restricted, the owner of the dwelling unit or their agent shall provide written notification to a prospective buyer or tenant on a form prescribed by the Parking Department. The owner or agent shall provide notification regardless of eligibility for a waiver of restriction on the availability of parking permits. Any eligibility for a waiver of the parking permit restriction shall not impact this notification requirement. Both the owner or their agent, and the prospective buyer or tenant shall sign and date the notification.
 - (1) An owner shall retain a copy of the signed notification for the duration of the tenancy, or for three years after the sale, of a unit and make the copy available to the city upon request.
- (c) Enforcement: The Inspectional Services and Parking Departments may enforce the provisions of this section. Each violation shall be deemed a separate offense and, in the case of a continuing violation, each day that a violation continues shall constitute a separate offense. Violation of any provision of this article shall be punished in accordance with §1-11. The city may institute other remedies to abate violations of this article, as permitted by law, in addition to the imposition of the penalties prescribed by §1-11.

Be it further ordained by the City Council that Section 1-11(b) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Somerville is hereby amended as follows:

Offense	Fine	Enforcing Personnel
Parking Permit Restriction	\$100.00 (first offense), \$200.00	Inspectional Services and Parking
Notification	(second offense), \$300.00 (third	Departments
	and subsequent offenses)	

Approved: