CITY OF SOMERVILLE

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

Be it ordained by the City Council, in session assembled, that Section 12-8 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Somerville is amended as follows by deleting the struckthrough text and adding the underlined text.

Sec. 12-8. – Snow and ice-on sidewalks.

(a) No-A person, including an owner, occupant, tenant, or agent, in charge of any land or a building abutting a sidewalk in the City of Somerville shall may not place snow or ice, or suffer allow it to remain, on an abutting such sidewalk, including an abutting accessible curb ramp where applicable, any snow and/or ice for more than six hours between sunrise and sunset on any dayfollowing the conclusion of a weather event, or as otherwise extended by the city in its discretion. The person shall clear the sidewalk to its surface, or treat it with sand or other suitable material where clearing to the surface is impractical, to provide a path of travel with a minimum width of thirty-six inches. All sidewalks shall be cleared to the surface of the sidewalk, or, where it is impractical to do so, the sidewalk shall be treated with sand or other suitable material. Sidewalks shall be cleared to provide a minimum passage of 36 inches. Where an abutting accessible curb ramp exists, the path of travel shall provide clear and direct access to the crosswalk through the curb ramp. The city may extend the deadlines set forth above in its discretion.

Approved:		
President		
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Mayor		