CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR

November 4, 2026

City Council President Ryan Pereira and
Honorable Members of the City Counsel
City of New Bedford
133 William Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Council President Pereira and Honorable Members of City Council:

I write in response to the City Council's invitation to collaborate on an ordinance which establishes a comprehensive framework for restricting the use of Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) technology.

It is with this goal in mind, I am hereby vetoing *An Ordinance Relative to Automated License Plate Readers ("ALPR") and Mass Location-tracking Technologies* (passed on October 26, 2026) and welcoming the Council's consideration of a new Ordinance restricting ALPR technology being submitting simultaneously under separate cover.

Sincerely,

Jon Mitchell
Mayor