INTRODUCED BY: Council President Schutt and Council Member Meyers

AN ORDINANCE INCREASING, AS OF JANUARY 1, 2024, THE ANNUAL COMPENSATION OF THE MAYOR, PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL BY 2.5% AND SUBMITTING SAME TO THE ELECTORATE FOR APPROVAL BY MAJORITY VOTE

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 6 of the Mayfield Village Charter provides that the Council shall have the power to fix all compensation paid by the Municipality, including the salary of the Mayor and its own members; and

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 6 of the Mayfield Village Charter requires that any increase in compensation for the Village Council or the Mayor be passed by Ordinance and submitted to the Village electorate for approval by majority vote; and

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 6 of the Mayfield Village Charter provides that any increase in compensation approved by the electorate shall become effective on the first day of January the following year and shall remain in effect unless and until increased in accordance with Article III, Section 6 of the Charter; and

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 6 of the Mayfield Village Charter provides that each member of Council shall be compensated equally, both newly elected members and those serving the balance of a term, except the President of Council who shall receive ten percent (10%) more; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and members of Council are not provided with an annual increase to reflect inflation or increases in the cost of living; and

WHEREAS, after consideration of the responsibilities and obligations of the Mayor, President of Council and Council members, it has been determined that it is in the best interest of the Village to submit to the electorate for approval a proposed increase in salary to take place automatically, beginning January 1, 2024, to adjust the compensation of the Mayor, President of Council and members of Council by 2.5% per year. 1986 Ohio Op. Atty. General 86-106.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of Mayfield Village, Cuyahoga County, State of Ohio, that:

- **SECTION 1.** The salary for the Mayor, President of Council, and members of Council shall be that salary as determined by multiplying the then current salary on January 1, 2023 by the constant 1.025, all effective January 1, 2024, and each year thereafter.
- **SECTION 2.** This Ordinance, upon adoption by Council, shall be referred by the Clerk to the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections not later than ninety (90) days before the November 8, 2022 election.
- **SECTION 3.** By authority of this Ordinance, the Board of Elections is authorized and directed to place on the ballot for the electors of Mayfield Village, at the November 8, 2022 election, the following question:

BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024, SHALL THE ANNUAL SALARY OF THE MAYOR, PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL AND ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS BE INCREASED BY 2.5%, DETERMINED BY MULTIPLYING THE THEN CURRENT SALARY BY THE CONSTANT 1.025, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 6 OF THE MAYFIELD VILLAGE CHARTER?

SECTION 4. The Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council relating to the adoption of this Ordinance have been taken at open meetings of this Council and that deliberations of this Council and of its committees, resulting in such formal action, took place in meetings open to the public, an compliance with all statutory requirements including the requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.
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allowed by law and upon signature of the Mayor.

STEPHEN SCHUTT Council President

First Reading: May 16, 2022

Second Reading: June 20, 2022

Third Reading: _______, 2022

BRENDA T. BODNAR, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Director of Law

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Clerk of Council