ORDINANCE NO. 2023-19 INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Bodnar

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ESTABLISH AN OPT-IN NATURAL GAS PROGRAM PURSUANT TO SECTION 4929.27(A)(1), OHIO REVISED CODE, JOINTLY THROUGH NOPEC AS A NOPEC MEMBER

WHEREAS, the Village of Mayfield, Ohio ("Village"), has previously established an "optout" natural gas aggregation program pursuant to Section 4929.26, Ohio Revised Code, for its residents, businesses, and other consumers located within the Village jointly through NOPEC as a NOPEC member; and

WHEREAS, to expand the natural gas supply options available to residents, businesses and other consumers within the Village of Mayfield, the Village wishes to establish an "opt-in" natural gas aggregation program pursuant to Section 4929.27(A)(1), Ohio Revised Code (the "Opt-In Natural Gas Aggregation Program") for its residents, businesses and other consumers located within the Village and, for that purpose, to act jointly with any other city, village, township, municipal corporation, county or other political subdivision of the State of Ohio, as permitted by law; and

WHEREAS, the Village wishes to conduct the Opt-In Natural Gas Aggregation Program jointly through NOPEC as a NOPEC member.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF MAYFIELD, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA, AND STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

<u>SECTION 1</u>. This Council hereby approves and authorizes the establishment of an Opt-In Natural Gas Aggregation Program in the Village jointly through NOPEC as a NOPEC member and adopts this Ordinance pursuant to the authority contained in Section 4929.27(A)(1), Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 2. 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, in compliance with all statutory requirements including the requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

<u>SECTION 3</u>. This Ordinance shall take effect after adoption and at the earliest time allowed by law.

	STEPHEN SCHUTT Council President	
First Reading:	, 2023	
Second Reading:	, 2023	
Third Reading:	, 2023	
PASSED:	, 2023	
BRENDA T. BODNAR, Mayor		
APPROVED AS TO FORM:		
DIANE A. CALTA, Director of Law		
ATTEST:		
MARY E. BETSA, MMC Clerk of Council		