AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE H2OHIO CHLORIDE REDUCTION GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio, through the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA), administers financial assistance to help local communities improve road salt storage and distribution practices in a manner that reduces salt pollution in Ohio's waterways, through the H2Ohio Chloride Reduction Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the H2Ohio Program awards reimbursable grants to local communities for qualifying purchases in a total amount of up to \$75,000; and

- **WHEREAS,** the Village of Mayfield desires financial assistance under the H2Ohio Program to reduce chloride and prevent groundwater contamination; and
- **WHEREAS,** Council deems it necessary and in the best interest to the health, safety and welfare of all Village residents to submit an application to the Ohio EPA for financial assistance from the H2Ohio Program.
- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Village of Mayfield, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, that:
- <u>SECTION 1</u>. Mayfield Village Council approves the filing an application for financial assistance for the reduction of chloride during its salting process.
- <u>SECTION 2</u>. The Mayor, and/or her authorized representative, is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file an application with the Ohio EPA, provide all information and documentation required, and take any other actions necessary to become eligible for possible funding assistance through the H2Ohio Program.

Clerk of Council

SECTION 3. The Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council relating to the adoption of this Resolution 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 requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

<u>SECTION 4</u>. This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of health, safety and welfare of the residents of Mayfield Village, Ohio, for the reason that timely submittal for funding is required to participate in the H2Ohio Programs no later than January 31, 2024. It shall, therefore, take effect immediately upon the passage by the affirmative vote of not less than five (5) members elected to Council and approved by the Mayor or otherwise at the earliest time allowed by law.

		STEPHEN SCHUTT Council President
First Reading:	, 2024	
Second Reading:	, 2024	
Third Reading:	, 2024	
PASSED:	, 2024	
BRENDA T. BODNAR, Mayor	_	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:		
DIANE A. CALTA, ESQ, Director of Law		
ATTEST:		
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