RESOLUTION NO. 19-2025

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING, ADOPTING, RATIFYING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER TO INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE PERRY LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF VILLAGE POLICE OFFICERS AS SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Council has been advised that the Village has, since the 18th day of July, 2017 been a party to an agreement with the Perry Local School District that has provided for the employment of Village police officer(s) as School Resource Officers; and

WHEREAS, the Village and the District entered into a School Resource Officer Agreement on June 29, 2021 for the 2021-2022 to 2024-2025 School Years; and

WHEREAS, the Village and the District now wish to enter into an updated Memorandum of Understanding "MOU" for the 2025-2026 school year, and thereafter as further delineated in the MOU attached hereto as Exhibit A, a thirteen-page document made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS the Village and District share common goals of enhancing student safety, increasing the community's understanding of law enforcement and strengthening the existing ties of communication and coordination between the Village and District for the benefit of the Perry Community; and

WHEREAS the Village has previously provided the services of School Resource Officers in the schools of the District – primarily at Perry High School (hereinafter referred to as "PHS"), at Perry Middle School and Perry Elementary in secondary status and at the District's other schools in a tertiary order; and

WHEREAS, Council finds it to be in the best interests of the residents of the Village to adopt, confirm, ratify and authorize the aforesaid Memorandum of Understanding in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth therein.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PERRY, COUNTY OF LAKE AND STATE OF OHIO, AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1.</u> That Council hereby adopts, ratifies, confirms, directs and authorizes the Mayor of the Village of Perry to enter into an agreement with The Perry Local School District for the employment of Village police officers as School Resource Officers for the period of the **2025-2026** school year and thereafter, in accordance with the terms and conditions outlined in the MOU attached as "Exhibit A".

Section 2. That all formal actions of this Council concerning the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting, and all deliberations of this Council, or any of its Committees, which resulted in such formal actions, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be and is passed as an emergency measure, the emergency being the need to continually provide for the fair, reasonable and prudent administration of Village affairs. Said Resolution is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the Village of Perry.

WHEREFORE, this Resolution shall be in full force and effect at the earliest possible date allowed by law.

JAMES GESSIC, MAYOR

ADOPTED: March 13, 2025

Rules Suspended

FIRST READING 3/13/25

SECOND READING " THIRD READING