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BOARD OF TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES OF BETHEL TOWNSHIP, MIAMI COUNTY

A RESOLUTION TO LIMIT ADULT-USE CANNABIS OPERATORS AND MEDICAL MARIJUANA CULTIVATORS, PROCESSORS, AND RETAIL DISPENSARIES WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF BETHEL TOWNSHIP, MIAMI COUNTY

The Board of Township Trustees of Township, County met on June 4, 2024, with the following members present:

Kama Dick

Julie Reese

Beth van Haaren

Trustee moved that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2023, voters in Ohio approved State Issue 2, which enacts new Chapter 3780 of the Ohio Revised Code, effective thirty days from the date of the election; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 3780 authorizes and regulates recreational adult-use cannabis in the state of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, R.C. 3780.25 authorizes townships to prohibit or limit the number of adult-use cannabis operators (as defined in R.C. 3780.01) within the unincorporated area of the township; and

WHEREAS, Medical marijuana is regulated in Ohio by Chapter 3796 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, R.C. 3796.29 similarly authorizes townships to prohibit or limit the number of marijuana cultivators, processors, or retail dispensaries licensed under Chapter 3796 within the unincorporated area of the township; and

WHEREAS, the board of township trustees finds it to be in the best interest of the township to limit adult-use cannabis operators licensed under Chapter 3780, as well as cultivators, processors, and retail dispensaries licensed under Chapter 3796, within the unincorporated area of the township;

Now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, as follows:

1) All terms used in this resolution shall be defined in the same manner as R.C. Chapter 3780 as it pertains to adult-use cannabis. All terms used in this resolution but not defined in those chapters shall be construed, for purposes of this resolution, in a manner to be consistent with the use of such terms in both chapters.

2) Adult use marijuana dispensaries, cultivators, and processors are hereby limited to no more than one operating dispensary, cultivator and processor within the unincorporated area of Bethel Township, Miami County, specifically restricted to a location that is adjacent to the existing marijuana cultivator.