

RESOLUTION NO.: 36 -2018  
INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Roche and Council

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE 2018 RENEWAL OF  
THE CUYAHOGA HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES LEVY**

WHEREAS, The 2018 renewal of Cuyahoga County's 3.9-mill Health & Human Services levy that will be on the County-wide election ballot at the primary election on May 8, 2018, will ensure that children, seniors, families and people in crisis continue to receive critical services;

WHEREAS, revenues generated by the Health & Human Services levy support:

- Emergency services like MetroHealth's premier Level One Trauma and Burn Center.
- MetroHealth's Life Flight and Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.
- Services and programs to protect children at risk of abuse or neglect.
- Home health care and services to help senior citizens live independently.
- Counseling and treatment programs for children with behavioral health or drug problems.
- Pre-kindergarten and health programs to make sure children enter school healthy, prepared and ready to learn.
- Crisis services for our most vulnerable citizens, whenever the need arises;

WHEREAS, the Health & Human Services Levy is a critical piece of our community safety net, available for all of us at any time;

WHEREAS, Without voter approval of the Health & Human Services levy, these programs will lose \$200 million in funding, forcing deep cuts to vital emergency services and programs that protect children, provide a variety of services that seniors depend on and help people living with mental illness;

WHEREAS, the 2018 Health & Human Services Levy renewal is not a tax increase.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Richmond Heights, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1: The Mayor and this Council recognize the importance of the passage of the Health and Human Services Levy renewal, support its passage, and encourage City's electorate to vote on Tuesday, May 8, 2018.

Section 2: It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3: This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: March 27, 2018

  
David H. Roche, Mayor

APPROVED: March 27, 2018

ATTEST: Betsy Traben  
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Clerk of Council

  
Eloise Cotton-Henry  
President of Council