A DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN THE VILLAGE OF GREENHILLS, HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death and can be easily spread from person to person; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) so far has reported numerous infections and deaths due to the disease; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, the Ohio Department of Health announced confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the State of Ohio, which number continues to increase; and

WHEREAS, on that same date, Governor DeWine declared a state of emergency for the entire State to protect the well-being of the citizens of Ohio from the dangerous effects of COVID-19, and to assist in protecting the lives, safety and health of the citizens of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared the ongoing Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant an emergency declaration for all states, tribes, territories, and the District of Columbia pursuant to section 501 (b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act"); and

WHEREAS, State, Territorial, Tribal, local government entities and certain private non-profit (PNP) organizations are eligible to apply for Public Assistance as a result of this Presidential declaration; and

WHEREAS, Governor DeWine and Director Acton have cooperated in issuing a series of declarations and orders limiting the size of gatherings and directing closures and this continues to be an evolving situation; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Health, Hamilton County Public Health and local public health jurisdictions continue to work collaboratively and closely with school systems, hospital systems, colleges and universities, and the business community to help minimize the spread of this disease; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 endangers the lives of the citizens of Greenhills, creating an emergency to life and public safety and disrupting commerce.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DECLARED BY THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER OF THE VILLAGE OF GREENHILLS, EVONNE KOVACH, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Municipal Manager Evonne Kovach, in her capacity as chief executive and administrative officer of the Village, hereby declares, pursuant to Section 4.05 of the Village Charter, an emergency situation, and hereby invokes those portions of the Ohio Revised Code that are applicable to the emergency and has caused the issuance of this action to be in full force and effect in the Village of Greenhills for the exercise of all necessary emergency authority for

protection of the lives and property of the people of Greenhills and the continuation of local government with a minimum of disruption.

Section 2. All public employees in the Village of Greenhills are hereby directed to exercise the utmost diligence in the discharge of duties required of them for the duration of the emergency and in execution of emergency laws, regulations and directives.

Section 3. All residents are called upon and directed to comply with necessary emergency measures, to cooperate with public officials and employees executing emergency operational plans, and to obey and comply with the lawful direction of properly identified officers.

Section 4. This State of Emergency will remain in effect until the emergency no longer exists, with such time to be determined by the Municipal Manager.

Evonne Kovach

Municipal Manager

Village of Greenhills, Ohio

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