ORDINANCE NO. 14-2025

AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF AN UNNEEDED POLICE VEHICLE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Village of Fairfax ("Village") owns, and its Police Department has operated, a 2018 Ford Explorer Police Cruiser, Unit #183, with a VIN ending in 3103 (the "Cruiser"); and

WHEREAS, the Cruiser has extensive mileage under conditions of heavy duty use; and

WHEREAS, the Village has already purchased a replacement vehicle for the Cruiser, and given the age and use of the Cruiser, it is no longer needed by the Village Police Department; and

WHEREAS, given the configuration of the Cruiser as a police vehicle, as well as its age and use, the Cruiser is not otherwise needed directly by the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Village is a member of the Little Miami Joint Fire & Rescue District (the "District"), a joint fire district formed under R.C. 505.371; and

WHEREAS, the District needs a replacement vehicle; and

WHEREAS, the District wants to purchase the Cruiser as a replacement vehicle if it can do so without undue delay, and it would benefit the Village as a District member for the District to own and operate the Cruiser as a replacement vehicle; and

WHEREAS, under R.C. 505.101, the District may purchase the Vehicle from another political subdivision of this State, including the Village, without bidding or advertising; and

WHEREAS, the Village also has the separate power under the Home Rule provisions of the Ohio Constitution to dispose of the Cruiser, without bid, for a reasonable price; and

WHEREAS, on the recommendation of the Chief of Police, five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) is a reasonable price for the Cruiser under current market conditions; and

WHEREAS, the foregoing price is particularly reasonable for the Cruiser to be sold to another political subdivision, which is the primary market for the Cruiser; and

WHEREAS, it is therefore in the best interest of the Village to sell the Cruiser, and to sell it to the District for \$5,000; and

WHEREAS, the District adopted a resolution pursuant to R.C. 505.101 for the purchase of the Cruiser at a price not to exceed \$5,000;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Village of Fairfax, State of Ohio, that:

SECTION I: The Village Administrator and Chief of Police are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement to sell the Cruiser, "as is" and without warranty of any kind, to the District. The sale price shall be five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00).

SECTION II: The Village Administrator and Chief of Police are hereby authorized to execute such documents of sale and transfer of title as are necessary to complete the sale described in Section I.

SECTION III: This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and general welfare and shall be effective immediately. The reason for said declaration of emergency is the immediate need to dispose of an unneeded vehicle to terminate ongoing maintenance, insurance, and other financial obligations for the vehicle, and to enter into a timely agreement for a reasonable sale price under current market conditions.

Passed this 16th day of June, 2025.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Fiscal Officer

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 14-2025 passed at a regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Fairfax on this 16th day of June, 2025.

Fiscal Officer