**ORDINANCE NO. 5-2022**

**APPROVING PARTICIPATION IN THE REGION 2 GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE UNDER THE ONEOHIO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**WHEREAS,** the Village of Fairfax, Ohio (“Village”) is a Local Government that approves The OneOhio Memorandum of Understanding (the “Memorandum”), which establishes a mechanism to disburse settlement proceeds from opioid litigation into Ohio’s communities to help abate the opioid crisis, including allocations to Local Governments and Regions through a statewide Foundation; and

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to the Memorandum, each Region shall create its own governance structure so it ensures all Local Governments have input and equitable representation regarding regional decisions including representation on the statewide Foundation Board and selection of projects to be funded from the region’s regional Share; and

**WHEREAS,** the Village is a participant in Region 2 of the governance structure established by the Memorandum; and

**WHEREAS,** Regions have the responsibility to make submissions regarding the allocation of funds to projects that will equitably serve the needs of the entire Region; and

**WHEREAS,** the regional governance structure attached hereto as Exhibit A ensures that all Local Governments in this Region have input and equitable representation regarding regional decisions under the Memorandum;

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

**SECTION I:** Subject to, and effective upon, the concurrence of all Local Governments (counties, cities, villages, townships) in Region 2, this legislative body hereby approves and enters into the regional governance agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A.

**SECTION II:** It is found and determined that all formal actions of this legislative body relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting, and that all deliberations that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

**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 ensure prompt pursuit of funds to assist in abating the opioid epidemic throughout Ohio.

Passed this 21st day of March, 2022.

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 Mayor

ATTEST:

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Fiscal Officer

**CERTIFICATE**

 I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 5-2022, passed at a meeting of the Council of the Village of Fairfax on this 21st day of March, 2022.

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 Fiscal Officer