AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN ECONOMIC INCENTIVE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH HOSPICE OF THE WESTERN RESERVE, INC. AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the retention and creation of jobs and employment opportunities is integral to the continued economic health of the City of Willoughby Hills and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, Article XVIII, Section 3 of the Ohio Constitution gives municipalities the authority to exercise all powers of local self-government and to adopt and enforce within their limits such local police, sanitary and other similar regulations, as are not in conflict with general laws; and

WHEREAS, Article I, Section 1.4 of the Willoughby Hills Charter provides the City of Willoughby Hills Charter with all such powers which shall be exercised in the manner prescribed in the Charter, or if not prescribed therein, in such manner as shall be prescribed by an ordinance of Council, and when not prescribed in the Charter, or provided by ordinance of Council, then such powers shall be exercised in the manner provided by the general laws of the State of Ohio until Council shall provide a different manner of exercising such powers; and

WHEREAS, certain economic and business conditions have necessitated that Hospice of the Western Reserve, Inc., consider facility accommodations within and outside the City; and

WHEREAS, Hospice of the Western Reserve, Inc. would like to relocate within the City of Willoughby Hills; and

WHEREAS, the City of Willoughby Hills has negotiated an agreement with Hospice of the Western Reserve, Inc. to provide an economic incentive to assist Hospice of the Western Reserve, Inc. to relocate, providing significant economic advantages to the City of Willoughby Hills and significant income tax revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY HILLS, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF OHIO THAT:

SECTION 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to enter into an Incentive Grant Agreement with Hospice of the Western Reserve, Inc., the draft, consisting of three (3) pages, of which is attached hereto as the “Exhibit A”, with such revisions that may be made by the Director of Law or Acting Law Director and approved by the Mayor without altering the substance thereof.

SECTION 2. The actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this legislation were conducted in lawful meetings of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Willoughby Hills.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance constitutes an emergency measure in that the same provides for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Willoughby Hills insofar as it provides Hospice of the Western Reserve, Inc., the ability address timely lease
provisions; wherefore this Ordinance shall be in full force and take effect from and after its adoption and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: March 22, 2018

Submitted to the Mayor for his approval on this ___ day of March, 2018

ATTEST:

Victoria Ann Savage, CMC
Clerk of Council

Nancy E. Fellows
President of Council

Approved by the Mayor

March 26, 2018

Robert M. Weger
Mayor