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6 CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO

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8 ORDINANCE NO. 47 - 2015

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10 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING AN AMENDMENT TO THE
11 CHARTER OF THE CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO,
12 ORIGINALLY ADOPTED BY THE ELECTORATE ON
13 NOVEMBER 3, 1959, AND AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME,
14 TO BE SUBMITTED AT THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION ON
15 NOVEMBER 3, 2015, WHICH AMENDMENT WILL REVISE
16 ARTICLE V, SECTION 2, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cuyahoga Falls,
19 County of Summit, and State of Ohio:

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21 Section 1. That the question of the proposed amendment to the Charter of the City of
22 Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, as adopted by the electorate on November 3, 1959, and amended
23 from time to time, such amendment being to Article V, "Elections" Section 2, "Nominations"
24 in the form set forth in the ballot text appearing in Section 2 of this ordinance, is hereby
25 directed to be submitted to the vote of the qualified electors of the City of Cuyahoga Falls,
26 Ohio at the next general election to be held on November 3, 2015, at the regular places of
27 voting in the City of Cuyahoga Falls, during hours provided by law.

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29 Section 2. That the ballots for said election shall, at the top thereof, be entitled "City of
30 Cuyahoga Falls Proposed Charter Amendment," and the question to be separately submitted
31 on said ballots shall be as follows:

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33 Charter Issue No. _____ Shall the amendment to the Charter of the City of
34 Cuyahoga Falls amending Article V, Section 2, be adopted so that, as amended, the
35 Article shall provide as follows:

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37 Article V ELECTIONS
38 Section 2. Nominations

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40 Candidates for all offices at any regular municipal election under the provisions of
41 this Charter, with the exception of candidates for the office of Judge of the Municipal
42 Court, Clerk of Municipal Court, other candidates who are elected by electors from
43 both within and without the City and/or independent candidates for any other
44 elective municipal office, shall be nominated at a primary election to be held on the
45 8th Tuesday prior to such regular municipal election. The method of nomination and
46 the procedures for nomination shall be in conformity with the State Law on the
47 subject of nominations for public office, and the result certified in like manner; that
48 commencing with the 2017 elections, independent candidates for the offices of Mayor
49 and Councilmen shall file their nominating petitions at the same time that partisan
50 candidates for the office of Mayor and Councilmen file their nominating petitions.
51 Candidates for the office of the Judge of the Municipal Court, Clerk of the Municipal
52 Court and other candidates who are elected by electors from both within and without
53 the City shall be nominated by nominating petition filed and signed in accordance
54 with the laws of the State of Ohio relating thereto.

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56 Section 3. That the Clerk of Council is hereby directed to certify a copy of this
57 ordinance to the Board of Elections of Summit County, Ohio, immediately upon the passage
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Section 4. That the Board of Elections of Summit County, Ohio, shall cause an appropriate notice to be duly given of the election to be held on November 3, 2015, on the foregoing amendment to the Cuyahoga Falls Charter and otherwise to provide for such election in the manner provided by the general laws of the State of Ohio.

Section 5. That any ordinances or resolutions or portions of ordinances and resolutions inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed, but any ordinances and resolutions not inconsistent herewith and which have not previously been repealed are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Section 6. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances.

Section 7. That this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and welfare of the City of Cuyahoga Falls and the inhabitants thereof, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members elected or appointed to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: 7/13/2015

Mary Ellen Pyke
President of Council

David Quinn
Clerk of Council

Approved: 7-14-15

[Signature]
Mayor