

VILLAGE OF PENINSULA, OHIO  
RESOLUTION NO.: 12-2018  
INTRODUCED BY: Don Schneider  
DATE PASSED: June 11, 2018

**A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE VILLAGE OF PENINSULA'S SUPPORT FOR  
THE SUMMIT COUNTY TOBACCO 21 INITIATIVE**

WHEREAS, tobacco use has been the foremost preventable cause of premature death in the United States since the first Surgeon General's report on smoking in 1964; and

WHEREAS, the use of tobacco products has devastating health and economic consequences, and nationally, tobacco use leads to roughly 300 billion dollars in health care and lost worker productivity costs each year; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 5.6 million Americans under the age of 18 who are currently alive today are projected to die prematurely from a tobacco-related illness if prevalence rates do not change; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, the Institute of Medicine concluded that raising the minimum legal age nationwide for purchasing and possessing tobacco products will reduce tobacco initiation, particularly among adolescents aged 15 to 21, improve health across lifespans, and save lives; and

WHEREAS, the Institute of Medicine also predicts that raising the minimum legal age nationwide for the sale and possession of tobacco products to 21 would result in near immediate reductions in preterm births, low birth weights, and cases of sudden infant death syndrome; and

WHEREAS, smoking among young people in Summit County will lead to long term health effects and create a new generation of children that will experience the negative effects of tobacco use, since nearly 14% of Summit County youth in the 9<sup>th</sup> through the 12<sup>th</sup> grades smoke, and according to the 2014 data, over 23% of pregnant women aged 18-21 smoked at some point during their pregnancy; and

WHEREAS, a local licensing system for tobacco retailers is necessary and appropriate to help protect the public health, safety, and welfare of our residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Peninsula, Summit County, Ohio, to wit:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor and Council support prohibiting the sale and possession of tobacco products, inclusive of e-cigarettes and paraphernalia, to persons under the age of 21 within the County of Summit.

SECTION 2. That the Clerk is directed to send a copy of this Resolution to Summit County Executive Ilene Shapiro, c/o Tina Merlitti, Community Relations Specialist, 175 South Main Street, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Akron, Ohio 44308.

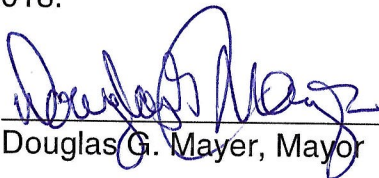
SECTION 3. All formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and all deliberations of this Council or any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were taken in meetings open to the public and/or in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 4. This Resolution shall take effect and be in force after the earliest period permitted by law.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect on the 11 day of June, 2018.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands this 11 day of June, 2018.

Passed:

  
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Douglas G. Mayer, Mayor

Attest:

  
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John D. Stiegel, Fiscal Officer

Approved as to Legal Form.

  
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Bradric T. Bryan, Solicitor

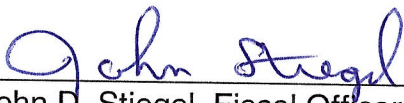
I, John D. Stiegel, Fiscal Officer of the Village of Peninsula, Summit County, Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly passed by the Council of the Village of Peninsula, at a meeting held on the 11 day of June, 2018.

  
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John D. Stiegel, Fiscal Officer

Posting Certificate

I, John D. Stiegel, Fiscal Officer of the Village of Peninsula, Summit County, Ohio, hereby certify that there is no newspaper published in the Municipality, and publication of the foregoing Resolution was made by posting true and accurate copies thereof at five of the most public places in the Village as previously determined by Council, each for a period of at least fifteen days, commencing on the 19 day of June, 2018, as follows:

1. Terry Lumber & Supply;
2. Valley Fire District;
3. Peninsula Library & Historical Society;
4. Peninsula Village Hall Lobby; and
5. Peninsula Post Office.

  
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John D. Stiegel, Fiscal Officer