ORDINANCE NO. 21 - 23

By: Monique Lampke

An ordinance to reestablish the Law Enforcement Trust Fund (Fund 18) pursuant to the applicable sections of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC).

Whereas, The City of Bexley had previously established the Law Enforcement Fund (Fund 18); and

Whereas, This fund must be maintained and utilized pursuant with applicable sections of the Ohio Revised code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEXLEY.

Section 1.

That a special revenue fund titled the Law Enforcement Trust Fund (Fund 18) is hereby reestablished pursuant ORC Section 2981.13(C) (1) to receive proceeds from the sale of vehicles and other property seized and disposed of in certain criminal matters.

Section 2.

That the proceeds distributed to the Law Enforcement Trust Fund shall be allocated only to the Bexley Police Department and shall be expended only to pay the costs of protracted or complex investigations; to provide reasonable technical training and expertise; to provide matching funds to obtain Federal grants to aid law enforcement. These funds may also be used for such other law enforcement purposes as recommended by the Chief of Police and approved by City Council.

Section 3.

That the Bexley Police Chief shall be required to enact policies in accordance with ORC Section 2981.13 and shall file a report with City Council no later than January 31 of each year certifying that funds were spent only for purposes authorized by ORC section 2981.13.

Section4.

That this Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public health and welfare of the City of Bexley and its residents and shall go into effect upon approval by the Mayor.

Passed:_____, 2023

Troy Markham, President of Council

Attest: _____

Matt McPeek, Clerk of Council

Approved:_____, 2023

Mayor Ben Kessler

First Reading: June 27, 2023 Second Reading: Third Reading: