RESOLUTION NO. 7 -99

By: Jed W. Morison

A Resolution to endorse "Operation Bike Helmet".

WHEREAS, bicycle helmets have been proven to prevent brain injuries and save lives; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that only 15 percent of children wear protective helmets when riding bicycles; and

WHEREAS, 60 percent of bicycle related deaths and more than two-thirds of bicycle related hospital admissions could have been prevented by the use of bicycle helmets; and

WHEREAS, bicycle helmets reduce the risk of brain injury by as much as 85 percent, and

WHEREAS, bicycle helmets save money by preventing lifetime medical and rehabilitation expenses, and

WHEREAS, bicycle helmets are comfortable, come in lots of styles and are now cool to wear; and

WHEREAS, the Safety Committee of Council and the Bexley Police Department have developed an educational program to promote the voluntary use of bicycle helmets;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEXLEY, OHIO:

<u>Section 1.</u> That this Council hereby endorses "Operation Bike Helmet" and encourages all bicycle riders, skate boarders, and roller skaters to wear bicycle helmets.

Section 2. That this Resolution shall go into effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: <u>4-13</u>,1999

Attest: Richard a Lein

Clerk of Council

Approved: 413 199

David H. Madison, Mayor

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