

RESOLUTION NO. 29-16

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF LORAIN COUNTY ISSUE 35
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, drug abuse has reached epidemic proportions and has a negative impact on the community's well-being and therefore is a serious concern to all responsible citizens, and

WHEREAS, in 2016, over 70 Lorain County residents have already died from an accidental drug overdose, and in Ohio, eight (8) people die every day from drug overdoses, and

WHEREAS, the consequences of drug related problems are evidenced by the loss of human lives and loss of economic productivity, and

WHEREAS, it is essential for communities to promote and increase the awareness of our citizens, youth, parents, and older adults as it relates to the reality of drug addiction and the importance of treatment, and

WHEREAS, the Lorain County Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services Board has proposed Issue 35, a tax levy for the purpose of operation of individual, family, and community alcohol and drug addiction prevention, treatment, and recovery support services for residents of Lorain County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AVON, LORAIN COUNTY, OHIO:

Section 1 - That the Mayor of the City of Avon and Avon City Council do hereby support Issue 35 to help save lives and strengthen communities.

Section 2 - That it is found and determined that all formal actions of the Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of the Council of the City of Avon and that all deliberations of this City's Council and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3 - That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Avon, the immediate emergency being the necessity to bring awareness of Issue 35 to the public, to urge citizens to become aware of the nature of the alcohol and drug addiction problem and become part of the solution; therefore, this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: _____ DATE SIGNED: _____

By: _____
Craig L. Witherspoon, Council President

DATE APPROVED BY THE MAYOR: _____

Bryan K. Jensen, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

John A. Gasior, Law Director

ATTEST:

Barbara J. Brooks
Clerk of Council

Posted: _____
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Provided by Council

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