

## RESOLUTION 2019-44

### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH THE SOUTHERN OHIO CHAMBER ALLIANCE BENEFIT PLAN (SOCABP), FOR THE ACQUISITION OF MEDICAL INSURANCE BENEFITS FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE OF HIRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**WHEREAS**, substantial discussion has taken place among the Village administration on how to best meet the ongoing needs and address the increasing costs of providing medical insurance to employees of the Village of Hiram; and

**WHEREAS**, the benefits of purchasing medical insurance as a member of the Southern Ohio Chamber Alliance have been identified as the most economical method of providing medical insurance to fulltime Village employees; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Council wants to ratify the administration actions which establish the medical program offered through the Southern Ohio Chamber Alliance as the benefit plan to be offered by the Village to its employees for the policy term commencing on November 1, 2019.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Council of the Village of Hiram, Portage County, Ohio, two thirds or more of the members thereto concurring that:

**Section 1:** The Council finds that the medical plan offered through the Southern Ohio Chamber Alliance is the best value available for the Village to purchase for its employees for the term beginning on November 1, 2019.

**Section 2:** The actions taken by the Village administration to locate and establish the medical plan offered through the Southern Ohio Chamber Alliance are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved. The Council expressly ratifies the actions taken to execute and submit the application and Participating Business Acknowledgement attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by reference.

**Section 3:** The Mayor and the Fiscal Officer are hereby authorized to take such further steps as are necessary to complete the application and to have the Village participate in the Southern Ohio Chamber Alliance offered medical plan.

**Section 4:** This Resolution is declared an emergency measure becoming effective immediately upon its passage by the Mayor for the reason that the Village must provide medical benefits to its employees and wishes to do so by participating in the most economical and advantageous plan available.

**Section 5:** It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that the deliberations of the Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public sale in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Revised Code of the State of Ohio.

PASSED IN COUNCIL on first reading as an emergency on December 10, 2019.

Mayor Lou Bertrand  
Mayor Lou Bertrand

ATTEST:

Susan J. Skrovan  
Fiscal Officer Susan J. Skrovan

Approved as to form:

Thomas Reitz  
Village Solicitor Thomas Reitz

I SUSAN SKROVAN, Fiscal Officer of the Village of Hiram, Ohio, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution ~~or Ordinance~~ No. 2019-44 has been duly posted in the required 5 places.

12/11/19 Susan J. Skrovan  
Date Fiscal Officer, Village of Hiram