The Village of New Lexington County of Perry State of Ohio

Resolution 20 - 09

Resolution of the Village of New Lexington,

County of Perry,

And the State of Ohio

Declaring the Village of New Lexington

A Second Amendment/Lawful Gun Owner Sanctuary Village

As Defined Herein:

WHEREAS, The Ohio Constitution: Article 1, Section 4 states that "The people have the right to bear arms for their defense and security; and

WHEREAS, The 2nd Amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America states "A Well-regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed"; and

WHEREAS, The 2nd Amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America was ratified in 1791, and is still the Law of the Land; and

WHEREAS, Article 6 of the Constitution of the United States of America states "This Constitution, and the laws of the United States which shall be made in pursuance thereof; and all treaties made, or which shall be made, under the authority of the United States, shall be the supreme law of the land; and the judges in every state shall be bound thereby, anything in the Constitution or laws of any State to the contrary notwithstanding" and

WHEREAS, Article 15, Section 7 of the Ohio Constitution states: "Every person chosen or appointed to any office under this state, before entering upon the discharge of its duties, shall take an oath or affirmation, to support the Constitution of the United States, and of this state, and also an oath of office; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Village Council Members of the Village of New Lexington, Ohio have all taken such oath and believe it to be binding on them morally, ethically, and legally; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Village Council Members of the Village of New Lexington, Ohio fully affirm their support of the rights of law-abiding citizens to keep and bear arms and stand firm against any law or ordnance on any level of government to remove that right from any law-abiding citizen without due process; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Village Council Members of the Village of New Lexington, Ohio will not authorize any village official to expend municipal funds for the purpose of enforcing illegal and or unconstitutional laws or ordinances that seek to limit a lawabiding citizen's right to keep and bear arms; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Village Council Members of the Village of New Lexington, Ohio believe the best way to prevent gun violence is to address the growing mental health crisis, hold those accountable who use a political agenda to disarm law abiding citizens, and the enforcement of already existing criminal laws that aim to stop violence and not to limit the inalienable rights of law-abiding citizens; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of New Lexington, Ohio derive economic benefit from lawful use of firearms, including hunting, recreation and shooting sports; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and the Village Council Members of the Village of New Lexington, Ohio by the authority granted the Council Members by the laws of the State of Ohio and the people of the Village of New Lexington, Ohio to stand and defend their rights and liberties, which are guaranteed by the United States and Ohio Constitutions, we hereby declare this Resolution to be a Second Amendment Preservation Resolution and declare the Village of New Lexington, Ohio to be a "Pro 2nd Amendment village; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Village Council Members of the Village of New Lexington, Ohio does hereby pledge not to appropriate funds, resources,

employees, or agencies to initiate unconstitutional seizures in the Village of New Lexington, Ohio; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Village Council Members of the Village of New Lexington, Ohio demands that the state and national legislature cease and desist any further actions restricting the Second Amendment rights of citizens and instead address the real and fundamental challenges in our communities.

Adopted this day, the month of April	_ 2020
Passed: 4-6-20	
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Attest:

Mayor

Council Clerk