ORDINANCE 2023 – 65

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENGAGE THE SOUTHWEST OHIO PHILHARMONIC FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF A CONCERT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$36,500

WHEREAS, the Southwest Ohio Philharmonic (SWOP), incorporated as a non-profit, is a professional symphony orchestra within the southwest corner of the state of Ohio, whose musicians have been performing for many years in the area and reside throughout the entire region; and

WHEREAS, opportunities for residents to come together and enjoy the arts helps to strengthen the community and enhance the quality of life in Mason; and

WHEREAS, in its ongoing effort to support the arts in Mason, Council desires to engage SWOP for a patriotic concert performance as part of the City's celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Mason Veterans Memorial.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Mason, Ohio, six members elected thereto concurring:

<u>Section 1.</u> That Council hereby determines that engaging the Southwest Ohio Philharmonic for the performance of a concert qualifies as a valid public purpose for the expenditure of public funds.

<u>Section 2</u>. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to engage the Southwest Ohio Philharmonic for the performance of a concert in the City of Mason.

<u>Section 3.</u> That the Finance Director is hereby authorized to pay the Southwest Ohio Philharmonic an amount not to exceed \$36,500 for such performance pursuant to the terms of the proposal.

Section 4. That this Ordinance shall be effective from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed this 10th day of July, 2023.

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk of Council