ORDINANCE 2024 – 26

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENGAGE THE MASON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF AN ADDITIONAL CONCERT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$45,000 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Mason Symphony Orchestra (MSO) is a regional orchestra that performs professional level symphonic and popular classics; and

WHEREAS, The MSO's fundamental mission is to enrich the cultural fabric of the Mason community and provide entertainment and uplifting experiences for Mason constituents

WHEREAS, the City of Mason has previously entered into an agreement with MSO for a minimum of three concert performances throughout 2024; and

WHEREAS, MSO has an opportunity to host an outdoor concert featuring Livingston Taylor in August; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mason desires to partner in providing such additional concert to provide entertainment and uplifting experiences for Mason constituents.

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 Mason Symphony Orchestra 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 Mason Symphony Orchestra 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 Mason Symphony Orchestra an amount not to exceed \$45,000 for such performance pursuant to the terms of the proposal.

<u>Section 4.</u> That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, safety, and general welfare and shall be effective immediately upon its adoption. The reason for said declaration of emergency is the need to secure the guest performer at the earliest possible date.

Passed this 11th day of March, 2024.

Mayor

Attest:

Clerk of Council