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Resolution to place Moratorium on Transient Shelters in Ravenna Township

RESOLUTION #26-068

Kristi Blazek-Hack moved the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Hank Gibson-Lampley

WHEREAS, how to best care for individuals who are temporarily homeless, while maintaining the health and safety of our community is an issue for many communities; and

WHEREAS, concerns have arisen, due to the number of homeless individuals that may need to be served at a given time, on where in the township would be the appropriate locations for such transient shelters and, despite the residential nature of the service, whether transient shelters and organizations that run said shelters are a commercial operation; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by Ravenna Township Board of Trustees, Portage County, Ohio to place a six (6) month moratorium on the operation/location of any new transient shelters in Ravenna Township to allow time to assess impacts on health, safety, utilities and infrastructure of the community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Ravenna Township Board of Trustees to consider adding a dedicated section on transient shelters to the Ravenna Township Zoning Code during the moratorium to fully and completely address the issue.

Roll Call is as follows: Mr. Coia, yes; Mrs. Blazek-Hack, yes; Mr. Gibson-Lampley, yes. Motion Carried

Attest:

I, Gail Pittman, the duly elected Fiscal Officer of Ravenna Township, Portage County, Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Township Trustees of Ravenna Township at a regular meeting held on the 12th day of May, 2026.

Attested this 12th day of May, 2026

Gail Pittman, Fiscal Officer