

RESOLUTION NO. 170-2025(MSES), *First Reading*

By Mayor Seren

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to apply for a grant under Ohio's Urban Forestry Grant Program through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources; to accept funding if awarded; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency measure.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources is accepting proposals from local governments for projects intended to substantially invest in the long-term growth and development of local urban and community forestry programs; and

WHEREAS, the City has been recognized as a Tree City USA Community by the Arbor Day Foundation for over 40 years; and

WHEREAS, it would be in the City's best interest to pursue funding that will support the maintenance, expansion, and improvement of these green resources, and;

WHEREAS, there is funding available for such purpose under the Inflation Reduction Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio that:

SECTION 1. The Mayor be, and he is hereby authorized, to apply for a grant under Ohio's Urban Forestry Grant Program through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, and enter into an agreement and execute any related documents necessary to accept the award.

SECTION 2. It is found and determined that all formal actions of the Council relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

SECTION 3. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights, or by posting the full text of this Resolution to the City of Cleveland Heights website.

SECTION 4. It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective as an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to meet the application deadline of August 27, 2025. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

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President of Council

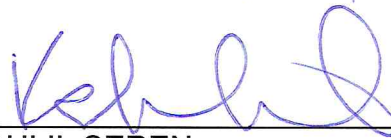


ADDIE BALESTER
Clerk of Council

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Presented to Mayor: 08/26/2025

Approved: 8/27/2025



KAHLIL SEREN
Mayor