## **RECORD OF ORDINANCES**

Ordinance No. <u>2025-72</u>

Passed December 3, 20 25

SPONSOR: UTILITIES COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO SUPPORT THE CONTINUATION OF A NATURAL GAS OPT-OUT AGGREGATION PROGRAM PURSUANT TO SECTION 4929.26 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER A SUPPLY AGREEMENT WITH EASTERN POWER & GAS TO CONTINUE A NATURAL GAS AGGREGATION PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL 1, 2026 TO MARCH 31, 2028, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Legislature has enacted natural gas deregulation legislation ("H.B. No. 9") which authorizes the legislative authorities of Cities, Villages, Townships and Counties to aggregate the retail natural gas loads located in the respective jurisdictions and to enter into service agreements to facilitate for those loads the purchase and sale of natural gas; and

WHEREAS, governmental aggregation provides an opportunity for residential and small business customers collectively to participate in the potential benefits of natural gas deregulation through natural gas rates which they may not otherwise be able to have individually; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the Village, its residents, businesses and other natural gas consumers located within the limits of the Village to continue its Natural Gas Opt-Out Aggregation Program pursuant to Section 4949.26 of the Ohio Revised Code, and to further authorize the Mayor to enter into a Natural Gas Supply Agreement with Eastern Power & Gas for the period of April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2028; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the Village of Mogadore, Counties of Summit and Portage, State of Ohio, that:

SECTION 1: The Mayor is hereby authorized to take all actions necessary to continue the Village's Natural Gas Opt-Out Aggregation Program pursuant to Section 4949.26 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Mayor is further authorized to enter into a Natural Gas Supply Agreement with Eastern Power & Gas for the period of April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2028.

<u>SECTION 2</u>: This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in open meetings of this Council and any deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in this formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

SECTION 3: This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety of the residents of the Village of Mogadore and for the purpose of immediately authorizing said agreement at the current pricing, and, provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of at least five (5) members elected or appointed to this Council, it shall take effect and be in force upon its passage by Council and approval by the Mayor, otherwise it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law.

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Mayor Date

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