## RESOLUTION NO. 13-2018

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE SAFER GRANT APPLICATION WHICH IS BEING SUBMITTED TO ADDRESS AN IMPORTANT PUBLIC PROTECTION AND ECONOMIC ISSUE IN THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, AND WHICH WILL PERMIT THE HIRING OF ADDITIONAL FIREFIGHTERS AND HELP REDUCE TAXPAYER BURDEN BY ASSISTING IN REDUCING OVERTIME COSTS FOR MINIMUM STAFFING OF THE NEW PHILADELPHIA FIRE STATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of New Philadelphia is required by law to maintain minimum staffing at all times at the New Philadelphia Fire Station to ensure protection for all citizens in case of emergency.

WHEREAS, minimum staffing requirements places a substantial burden on the City budget through increased overtime costs, and,

WHEREAS, the SAFER Grant would enable the City of New Philadelphia to hire additional firefighters with minimum costs to taxpayers which would significantly reduce overtime costs; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of New Philadelphia fully supports the SAFER Grant initiative as a means of increasing public safety while at the same time reducing the costs to taxpayers.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO:

SECTION 1. The Council of the City of New Philadelphia offers its full support for the SAFER Grant initiative to hire additional firefighters for purposes of advancing public safety and reducing costs to taxpayers.

SECTION 2. This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure, and its immediate passage is necessary in order to preserve, protect, and maintain the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio.

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval.

PASSED:,	SAM R. HITCHCOCK PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL
ATTEST:	APPROVED:
JULIE COURTRIGHT CLERK OF COUNCIL	JOEL B. DAY MAYOR

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