

RESOLUTION NO.: 15 -2008
INTRODUCED BY: MAYOR URSU AND ALL OF COUNCIL

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MARCH 4, 2008 BALLOT
ISSUE 15 FOR THE CUHAYOGA COUNTY HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES REPLACEMENT AND REDUCTION LEVY.**

WHEREAS, on primary election day, March 4, 2008, the voters of Cuyahoga County will be asked to approve ballot Issue 15, the Cuyahoga County Health and Human Services Replacement and Reduction Levy, to continue to generate funds essential to continuing critical services throughout the County for its most vulnerable citizens; and

WHEREAS, the current Health and Human Services Levy funding for services is provided through a 4.9 mill levy that will expire at the end of 2008, and the approval of Issue 15 will replace and reduce that levy to 4.8 mills and ensure that Cuyahoga County can continue its support for services for senior citizens and children, medical care, and other vital community services related to mental health, emergency shelters, drug and alcohol abuse prevention, and treatment, and rehabilitation services for those recovering from crippling injuries and strokes; and

WHEREAS, in the past, Cuyahoga County has worked with more than 200 social service agencies in every community to serve more than 200,000 persons each year, including 40,000 senior citizens, 100,000 children and thousands of other citizens; funded LifeFlight emergency medical services saving more than 3,000 lives; and, for example, through the County's collective efforts with local social service agencies it has extended home care services for seniors, trained and support quality childcare providers, and enabled many adults to secure employment and become more self-sufficient;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Council of the City of Richmond Heights, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1. Mayor Daniel J. Ursu and the Council of the City of Richmond Heights, Ohio, do hereby express their support for ballot Issue 15, the Health and Human Services Replacement and Reduction Levy, on the March 4, 2008 ballot and urge all citizens of the City of Richmond Heights eligible to vote to do so on March 4, 2008.

Section 2. The Clerk is hereby instructed to mail a copy of this Resolution to the County Action Committee for Issue 15.

Section 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted 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, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____

Daniel J. Ursu, Mayor

APPROVED: _____

ATTEST: _____

Betsy Traben
Clerk of Council

David H. Roche
President of Council