RESOLUTION NO. 2012 - 30

A RESOLUTION DECLARING AN ERUV DISTRICT WITHIN A PORTION OF SYCAMORE TOWNSHIP, DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND READING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Jewish law forbids carrying on the Sabbath, except when done within an enclosed area; and

WHEREAS, in the furtherance of Jewish religious tradition, in order to enable increased observance of the Sabbath, the Jewish Community residing within the Sycamore Township community has requested the establishment of an Eruv, a ritual neighborhood enclosure; and

WHEREAS, an Eruv District is symbolic in nature and does not contravene any federal, state or local law, it will not violate existing property rights, and it will not otherwise impair the Township's right-of-way or violate its Land Use Plans nor its Zoning Resolution; and

WHEREAS, Eruv Districts have been used for over 2,500 years by countless communities, and Eruvs exist today in hundreds of cities throughout the world including the cities of Dayton, Columbus and Cleveland, Ohio; Miami, Florida; New York, New York; Paris, France; London, England; and Jerusalem, Israel, and locally there are Eruv Districts within Amberley Village, Golf Manor, the City of Cincinnati, Sharonville, Blue Ash, and Deerfield Township; and

WHEREAS, the Jewish Community of Northeast Cincinnati has requested that the Northeast Cincinnati Eruv, a defined area located in part within Sycamore Township, Ohio, as set forth on the attached map, be designated as an Eruv District; and

WHEREAS, agreements have been entered into by and between the Jewish Community of Northeast Cincinnati and the necessary third parties to install and maintain an Eruv bounding the Eruv District; and

WHEREAS, as is traditional, the Jewish Community of Northeast Cincinnati has requested permission to ceremonially rent the Eruv District from Sycamore Township; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Township Trustees of Sycamore Township has determined that it is appropriate to grant such request and the Eruv rights requested, and likewise deems that it be of no public detriment to the rights and general welfare of the members of the Sycamore Township community.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Township Trustees of Sycamore Township, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1.

This Board does hereby proclaim the Northeast Cincinnati Eruv as an Eruv District within Sycamore Township, Ohio to the extent noted on the attached map, for the purposes stated within this Resolution and for all purposes consistent with Jewish tradition and law.

SECTION 2.

The Board of Township Trustees of Sycamore Township hereby grants to the Northeast Cincinnati Eruv the rights requested in order to define the Sabbath bounds in accordance with Jewish religion and Torah laws at a rental of One Dollar (\$1.00) in hand paid, which rental shall be for a period of ninety-nine (99) years. The rights granted herein shall not prohibit Sycamore Township or Hamilton County from further exercising their respective rights within any right-of-way where the boundaries are defined, nor shall the rights granted herein prevent any utility from moving, burying or modifying any poles, structures or appurtenances affecting the Eruv.

SECTION 3.

The Trustees of Sycamore Township upon at least a majority vote do hereby dispense with the requirement that this resolution be read on two separate days, and hereby authorize the adoption of this resolution upon its first reading.

SECTION 4.

This resolution shall take effect on the earliest date allowed by law.

VOTE RECORD:

Mr. Bishop Ay Mr. Connor Ay Mr. Weidman Ay

Passed at a meeting of the Board of Township Trustees of Sycamore Township this 16th day of May, 2012.

Thomas J. Weidman, President

Cliff W. Bishop, Vice President

Dennis W. Connor, Trustee

AUTHENTICATION

This is to certify that this resolution was duly passed and filed with the Township Fiscal Officer of Sycamore Township this 16th day of May, 2012.

Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer

Sycamore Township, Ohio

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

R. Douglas Miller, Law Director

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