ORDINANCE NO. 11-20

AN ORDINANCE SUSPENDING SECTION 727 OF THE PORT CLINTON CODFIED ORDINANCES (TEMPORARY PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY- OCCUPANCY PERMITS FOR OUTDOOR RESTAURANTS) UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2020, TO ALLOW FOR OUTDOOR DINING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine announced that the Ohio Department of Health issued an order to close all Ohio bars and restaurants to in-house patrons effective March 15, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, on May 7, 2020, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine announced that Ohio bars and restaurants can reopen for outside dining effective May 15, 2020, under the social distancing guidelines created for bars and restaurants; and

WHEREAS, on May 7, 2020, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine announced that Ohio bars and restaurants can reopen for inside dining effective May 21, 2020, under the social distancing guidelines created for bars and restaurants; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to provide immediate relief to restaurants and bars who were negatively impacted by the ordered closures on March 15, 2020, by suspending Section 727 of the Port Clinton Codified Ordinances until December 31, 2020, to allow for outdoor dining under the social distancing requirements to maintain employment and commerce in the City;

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines Section 727 of the Port Clinton Codified Ordinances should be suspended until December 31, 2020, to allow for outdoor dining under the social distancing requirements to maintain employment and commerce in the City; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Port Clinton, County of Ottawa and State of Ohio:

Section 1. This Council supports, encourages and requests that Section 727 of the Port Clinton Codified Ordinances be suspended until December 31, 2020, to allow for outdoor dining under the social distancing requirements to maintain employment and commerce in the City.

Section 2. This Council finds and determines that the immediate passage of this Ordinance is in the best interest of the City, its bars and restaurants, and its inhabitants.

Section3. This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council and any of its committees concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council or committees, and that all deliberations of this Council, and any of its committees, that resulted in those actions were in meetings open to the public, incompliance with the law.

Section 4. This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the City, and for the further reason that in order to promote the economic security of the public during the COVID-19 outbreak, it is necessary to immediately provide immediate relief to restaurants and bars by suspending Section 727 of the Port Clinton Codified Ordinances until December 31, 2020 allow for outdoor dining under the social distancing requirements to maintain employment and commerce in the City;

Wherefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Passed:	, 2020	President of Council	
Attest:Clerk of Council		Approved	, 2020
		Mayor	