

RESOLUTION NO. 61-2008

Offered by All of Council

A RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO ENACT A SILVER ALERT PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, approximately 3 million Americans with Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia go missing. If an elderly person is not found within 24 hours, there is a 50% chance that the individual can suffer a serious injury or die; and

WHEREAS, there are ten states across the country using a Silver Alert Program inspired by Amber Alerts for missing children; and

WHEREAS, these Silver Alert Programs have led to safe recovery of seniors and saved lives.

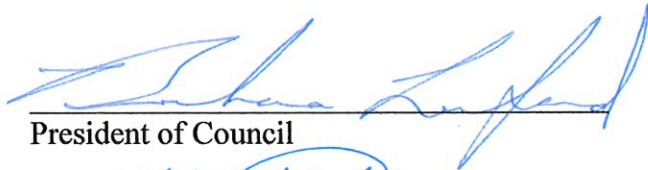
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Village of Richfield, Summit County, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the Council of the Village of Richfield wishes to urge the State Legislature to enact a Silver Alert Program similar to the Amber Alert used for missing children.

SECTION 2. That the Clerk of Council be, and hereby is, directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to Governor Strickland, and the Ohio Representatives and State Senators representing our area urging them to enact a similar alert program to the Amber Alert used for missing children.

SECTION 3. This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary due to upcoming discussion on this matter; wherefore, provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of Council elected or appointed, it shall take effect immediately upon its passage and execution by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: 12/2/08



President of Council

ATTEST:


Clerk of Council



Mayor

Dated: 12/2/08