

AN ORDINANCE TO ENACT SECTION 131.02 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES AND TO ESTABLISH AN EXEMPTION FOR GRATUITIOUS FEES FOR SOLEMNIZING MARRIAGES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Mayor is empowered by state law to solemnize marriages and such law does not make any provision for the disbursement of fees gratuitously given to the Mayor for such services; and

WHEREAS, under recent enactments of the Ohio Legislature, the Attorney General for the State of Ohio has determined that such fees must first be paid into a village treasury and upon application of the Mayor released to him; and

WHEREAS, such procedure causes unduly burdensome and unnecessary bookkeeping, in many cases exceeding the costs of the funds received by the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the state law provides that such fees may be exempted by action of Council and Council so desires to exempt such fees.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Ordained by the Council of the Village of Richfield, Ohio:

Section 1: Section 131.02 of the Codified Ordinances is enacted as follows:

Section 131.02 Marriage Fees.

Any fees gratuitously given to the Mayor for the solemnizing of marriages are exempt from being paid into the municipal treasury and such fees shall remain the property of the Mayor.

Section 2: This Ordinance is determined to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of public peace, health, or safety for the reason to provide for proper accounting procedures and provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members elected or appointed, it shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest date provided by law.

Passed:

8/21/84

Paul R. Hill
President of Council

E. James Decker
Mayor

Dated: 8-21-84

Attest:

Theresa S. Mayberry
Clerk of Council