

**AN ORDINANCE PLACING A SIX-MONTH MORATORIUM ON ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR OR ISSUING ZONING CERTIFICATES FOR ANY BUILDING, STRUCTURE, USE, OR CHANGE OF USE OF PROPERTY THAT WOULD ALLOW ANY PROPERTY TO BE USED AS A CAR WASH, TRUCK WASH, OR SEMI-TRUCK WASH IN THE VILLAGE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Ohio, and the Ohio Revised Code, municipalities have the power to enact planning and zoning laws that are for the health, safety, welfare, comfort and peace of the citizens of the municipality, including restricting areas used for businesses and trades; and

**WHEREAS**, this Council desires to issue a moratorium for a temporary period of time, not to exceed six (6) months from the date of passage of this Ordinance, while it undertakes a review and/or study of the ordinances of the Village of Richfield, including the zoning, building and business regulation sections of the Richfield Codified Ordinances; and

**WHEREAS**, this Council will be able to enact reasonable regulations to protect the health, safety, welfare, peace, and comfort for the citizens of the Village of Richfield more effectively if a moratorium is in place.

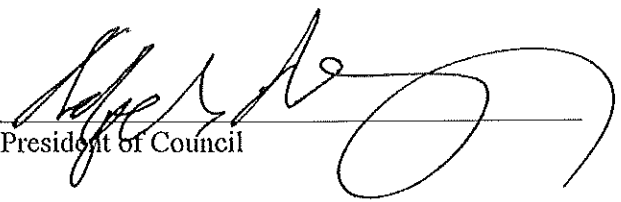
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Council of the Village of Richfield, Summit County, State of Ohio that:

**SECTION 1:** Council hereby approves a temporary moratorium, not to exceed six (6) months, on the acceptance of any application for, or the granting of any zoning certificate, for any building, structure, use, expansion of use, or change of use that would allow any property in the Village to be used as a car wash, truck wash, or semi-truck wash within the Village of Richfield.

**SECTION 2:** It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**SECTION 3:** This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of said Village, and for the further reason that the Village of Richfield would like to impose a six (6) month moratorium on car wash, truck wash, and semi-truck wash establishments in the Village, therefore, provided that this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of at least five (5) members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: 4-1-2025

  
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President of Council

Michael Welch  
Mayor

Dated: 4/1/2025

ATTEST:

[Signature]  
Clerk of Council