

RESOLUTION NO. 81-2022

Introduced by Sam Artino

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE HURON PUBLIC LIBRARY'S 1.5 MILLS LEVY RENEWAL ON THE 2022 NOVEMBER BALLOT.

WHEREAS, the Huron Public Library (the "Library") is funded from two sources: the Public Library Fund, which comes from the State of Ohio, and a 1.5 mills tax levy on real estate in the Huron Public School District;

WHEREAS, of the two sources of support, the local tax levy is the largest source of revenue to support the programs, staff, and facility of the Library;

WHEREAS, the current 1.5 mills levy expires at the end of 2022;

WHEREAS, the proposed 1.5 mills levy on the November ballot is a 5-year renewal of the levy that is expiring, meaning the Library will be funded at the same income level as the old levy;

WHEREAS, if the renewal levy is passed, the rate of taxation will continue the same as in previous years, and there is no increase in taxes based on new tax assessments;

WHEREAS, Council believes that the Library is important to the infrastructure of a community, welcoming anyone regardless of economic means or social standing;

WHEREAS, the Library is a haven for people who do not have access to high-speed internet, it is a meeting place, a community hub, and a home-office-away-from-home for many remote or self-employed workers. The Library is a place where children discover the wonder of words;

WHEREAS, with a YES vote, our citizens can avoid losing librarians, new items for the library collections, special programs such as STEAM Team, Family Story Time, Speakers Series, Book Clubs and Preschool Storytime, as well as hours of operation;

WHEREAS, Council recognizes that the Library is vitally important to our community and urges our community members to support this indispensable asset with a YES vote on November 8th.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HURON AS FOLLOWS:


SECTION 1. That the Council of the City of Huron declares its support for the Huron Public Library's 1.5 mills renewal levy on November's ballot, and urges community members to either vote early or go to the polls on November 8th and vote YES on Issue #4 for the Huron Public Library Renewal Levy.

SECTION 2. That this Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of the Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including O.R.C. §121.22 of the Revised Code

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall go into effect and be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage.



Monty Tapp, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Clerk of Council

ADOPTED: 27 SEP 2022

