RESOLUTION NO. 18-12 CITY OF CENTERVILLE, OHIO

SPONSORED BY COUNCIL MEMBER Brocks Compton ON THE 104 DAY OF April , 2012.

A RESOLUTION BY THE CENTERVILLE CITY COUNCIL EXTENDING FOR A PERIOD OF 180 DAYS THE MORATORIUM ON THE GRANTING OF ANY PERMITS ALLOWING THE OPERATION OF SWEEPSTAKES/INTERNET CAFES WITHIN THE CITY OF CENTERVILLE.

WHEREAS, the City of Centerville passed a resolution on January 24, 2011 to impose a moratorium on issuing permits allowing the operation of sweepstakes/internet cafes and extended said moratorium with Resolutions Number 21-11 for an additional six months beginning July 23, 2011 and expiring January 19, 2012; and Resolution Number 49-11 for an additional 90 days beginning January 19, 2012 and ending April 19, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the moratorium was to await regulations regarding sweepstakes/internet cafes; and

WHEREAS, the State legislature and the Ohio Attorney General's office were expected to issue such regulations; and

WHEREAS, the State legislature had previously introduced HB 195 to regulate such operations and said legislation is still pending in committee; and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2012, the State legislature introduced SB 317 to regulate such operations and grant municipalities the ability to prohibit such operations; and

WHEREAS, such regulations have not yet been adopted by the State legislature and/or issued by the Ohio Attorney General's office; and

WHEREAS, the City had begun the preparation of its own regulations which may be directly affected if either SB 317 or HB 195 is passed; and

WHEREAS, the moratorium established by the City of Centerville will expire on April 19, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the City of Centerville seeks to extend the moratorium in order to await the issuance of regulations on the operation of Sweepstakes/Internet Cafés by the State legislature or the Ohio Attorney

General's office in order to have consistent regulations with any regulations adopted by the City of Centerville.

NOW THEREFORE, THE MUNICIPALITY OF CENTERVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES:

- Section 1. Council recognizes the acute nature of the problem faced by the City in the operation of Sweepstakes/Internet Cafés which may disrupt the orderly growth and development of the City, and seeks an extension of the moratorium on permits for the operation of Sweepstakes/Internet Cafés to preserve the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Centerville.
- Section 2. The City Manager and City Planner hereby recommend extending the current moratorium on the processing of new applications for permits for the operation of Sweepstakes/Internet Cafés for a period of 180 days beginning April 19, 2012 and ending October 16, 2012.
- Section 3. Council hereby accepts the recommendation of the City Manager, and City Planner and hereby extends the moratorium on permits for the operation of Sweepstakes/Internet Cafés for an additional period of 180 days beginning April 19, 2011 and ending October 16, 2012.
- Section 4. Council further finds that an extension of the moratorium for 180 days is reasonable and will allow the Centerville Planning Commission, City Manager, and City Planner to propose and initiate action with respect to permits issued to Sweepstakes/Internet Cafes in accordance with expected regulations from the State legislature and the Attorney General's office.
- Section 5. Council hereby directs and orders that no permits for the operation of Sweepstakes/Internet Cafés be accepted or allowed during the current moratorium and during the additional 180 days period of this moratorium extension.
- Section 6. This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of its passage.

PASSED THIS _____ day of April, 2012.

Mayor of the City of Centerville, Ohio

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council City of Centerville, Ohio

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, Clerk of Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio, hereby certifies the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 18-12, passed by the Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio on the 1/2 day of April, 2012.

Clerk of the Council

Approved as to form, consistency with existing ordinances, the charter & constitutional provisions Department of Law Scott A. Liberman Municipal Attorney