ORDINANCE NO. 13-2016

AN ORDINANCE BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA BY EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, AND THE USE OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA ON ANY AND ALL PUBLIC PROPERTIES WITHIN THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA CORPORATION LIMITS. AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Revised Code Section 3796.28 permits municipal corporations to prohibit the use of medical marijuana by employees or prospective employees of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Revised Code Section 3796.04(G)(4) permits municipal corporations to prohibit marijuana use in public places; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of New Philadelphia Ohio, has deemed it appropriate to prohibit the use of medical marijuana by employees or prospective employees of the City, and to prohibit the use of medical marijuana in public places.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City of New Philadelphia adopts all permissible provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 3796.28. The City of New Philadelphia specifically allows and permits the City and Administration to apply, enforce and continue with its drug free workplace policies, and use prohibitions, and to enforce the provisions as allowed by Ohio Revised Code Section 3796.28, and specifically prohibits the use of medical marijuana by either employees or prospective employees of the city of New Philadelphia.

SECTION 2. The City of New Philadelphia adopts all permissible provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section. The use of marijuana, medical or otherwise, is banned and strictly prohibited on all public property within the City of New Philadelphia's Corporation Limits.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and its immediate passage is necessary in order to preserve, protect and maintain the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of New Philadelphia, Ohio.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

SAM R.HITCHCOCK PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

APPROVED:

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CLERK OF COUNCIL

SPONSORED BY: ZONING AND ANNEXATION COMMITTEE