ORDINANCE NO. 2023-<u>12</u>

TO AMEND SECTION 135.01(I) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S SPENDING LIMIT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Section 135.01(I) of the Codified Ordinances provides the Village Administrator with authority to enter into contracts, purchase supplies and materials and provide labor for any work without approval of Council when the total for such expenditure does not exceed Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the current economic conditions have created significant price increases across all markets and the Village Administrator's spending limit restricts her ability to contract for the Village on a timely basis without approval from Council; and

WHEREAS, Council recognizes the limitations presented by the current spending limit and desires that the Village Administrator have authority to enter into contracts for the Village with minimal limitation and consistent with the current market conditions;

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 731.141 authorizes a Village Administrator to spend not more than Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) without approval of Council;

WHEREAS, Council desires to amend the Codified Ordinances and increase the Village Administrator's spending limit to Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 731.141.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF CENTERBURG, OHIO:

<u>Section 1</u>. That the Village Administrator be authorized to spend not more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) without Council approval consistent with Ohio Revised Code Section 731.141 and that Section 135.01(I) of the Codified Ordinances be amended to read as follows:

The Village Administrator shall have authority to make contracts, purchase supplies and materials and provide labor for any work under his supervision without the prior approval of Council when the total for any such contract, material, labor or expenditure on behalf of the Village does not exceed <u>fifty thousand dollars</u> (\$50,000.00) five thousand dollars (\$5,000), provided he first submits a purchase order.

<u>Section 2</u>. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare, such emergency arising out of the need to provide the Village Administrator with the ability to enter into contracts, purchase materials, provide labor and make other expenditures on a timely basis for the Village without Council approval.

WHEREFORE, this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and approval by the

DATE PASSED

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST

CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MAYOR

DATE APPROVED: _____

LEGAL COUNSEL

I hereby certify that the ordinance or a summary of the ordinance was published once a week for two consecutive weeks on ______, 2023 and ______, 2023 in the *Mount Vernon News* in conformance with the Ohio Revised Code.

FISCAL OFFICER