

RESOLUTION #

BEFORE THE BOARD OF TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES
OF JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP, RICHLAND COUNTY, OHIO

A RESOLUTION IMPOSING A MORATORIUM ON THE CULTIVATION,
PROCESSING, AND RETAIL SALE OF ADULT USE CANNABIS WITHIN
JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP, OHIO.

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2023, Ohioans voted to approve Issue 2, the Marijuana Legalization Initiative, which made adult recreational marijuana use legal effective December 7, 2023, and

WHEREAS, Chapter 3780 of the Ohio Revised Code establishes a Division of Cannabis Control within the Department of Commerce, which provides for the licensure of "adult use" cannabis cultivators and processors, cannabis testing laboratories and adult use dispensaries, and

WHEREAS, for the purposes of this Resolution, the definitions of "cultivators," "processors," and "adult use dispensaries" shall be accorded the same definitions as those found in Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3780, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3780.25 of the Ohio Revised Code, a Board of Township Trustees may adopt a resolution, by majority vote, to prohibit or limit the number of adult use cannabis operators within the unincorporated territory of the township, and

WHEREAS, Jefferson Township Board of Trustees desires time to study whether to limit or prohibit the cultivation, processing and/or dispensing of adult use cannabis, or, alternatively, to develop and implement regulations regarding the possible location and operation of cannabis-related businesses within Jefferson Township, including cannabis cultivators, processors and adult use dispensaries, and

WHEREAS, the Jefferson Township Board of Trustees believes that such a moratorium on cannabis-related business is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of its residents.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES OF
JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP, RICHLAND COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 3780.25, the Jefferson Township Board of Trustees hereby establishes a moratorium with respect to the authorization or establishment of any cannabis-related businesses within Jefferson Township, including, but not limited to, cannabis-related cultivators, processors or adult use dispensaries.

SECTION 2. That this Board hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board 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 Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

At the regular meeting of the Township Trustees on June 10TH, 2024,
Trustee Randy Swank moved for adoption of the foregoing Resolution, seconded by
Trustee Mark Gatton, and upon roll call vote the vote was 3 aye, 0 nay.

Resolution passed Unanimously.

BOARD OF TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES OF JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP,
RICHLAND COUNTY, OHIO

Mark J. Gatton
Mark Gatton

David Taylor
David Taylor

Randy Swank
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Approved:

Adrienne Edwards
Adrienne Edwards, Fiscal Officer