RESOLUTION NO: 26-12

ADOPTED ON: 10-19-2026

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR AND POLICE CHIEF TO EXECUTE A MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF SOMERSET, VILLAGE OF SHAWNEE, VILLAGE OF ROSEVILLE, VILLAGE OF NEW STRAITSVILLE, VILLAGE OF NEW LEXINGTON, VILLAGE OF JUNCTION CITY, VILLAGE OF CROOKSVILLE, VILLAGE OF CORNING, AND THE PERRY COUNTY CHIEFS OF POLICE ASSOCIATION AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, R.C. 737.04, which governs mutual aid contracts for police protection, allows the legislative authority of any municipal corporation, in order to obtain police protection or to obtain additional police protection, or to allow its police officers to work in multijurisdictional drug, gang, or career criminal task forces, to enter into contracts with one or more municipal corporations, townships, township police districts, joint police districts, or county sheriffs in this state, with one or more park districts created pursuant to R.C. 511.18 or R.C. 1545.01, with one or more port authorities, or with a contiguous municipal corporation in an adjoining state, upon any terms that are agreed upon, for services of police departments or the use of police equipment or for the interchange of services of police departments or police equipment within the several territories of the contracting subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, with Resolution 24-09, adopted August 26, 2024, Council for the Village of Thornville authorized and directed the Village Administrator to and Police Chief to execute a mutual aid agreement for police protection with the Village of Somerset, Village of Shawnee, Village of Roseville, Village of New Straitsville, Village of New Lexington, Village of Junction City, Village of Crooksville, Village of Corning, and the Perry County Chiefs of Police Association. This agreement will expire at the end of the year.

WHEREAS, Council for the Village of Thornville understands the importance of maintaining adequate police protection services as well as assisting neighboring communities, should the need arise; and

WHEREAS. Council for the Village of Thornville now wants to enter into a new mutual aid agreement with the same parties for police protection services because it believes such an agreement will benefit Village residents' safety and well-being today, tomorrow, and in the years to come.

NOW, **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Village of Thornville, County of Perry, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: Council for the Village of Thornville hereby authorizes and directs the Village Administrator and Police Chief to execute a Mutual Aid Agreement in substantially the same form and content as the Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that any and all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements of the laws of the State of Ohio.

SECTION 3: This Resolution is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Thornville and the further reason that the Village must execute this agreement immediately to ensure adequate police protection for the Village and its neighboring communities, as more fully explained in the whereas clauses which are incorporated here by reference. Wherefore, provided this Resolution receives the required affirmative votes of Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon passage by Council.

Passed in Council this 19th day of October, 2026.

Amanda Lackey, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tonya Thurston, Clerk of Council
APPROVED:

Approved as to form this 16th day of October 2026

Brian M. Zets, Esq.
Village Solicitor