ORDINANCE NO. 22 –

OFFERED BY: CHRISTOPHER W. FOSTER, PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL & ACTING MAYOR

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 672.12 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HUDSON TO PROHIBIT THE DISCHARGE, IGNITION, OR EXPLOSION OF FIREWORKS AT ALL TIMES AND DATES, INCLUDING CERTAIN DAYS EACH YEAR PURSUANT TO STATE LAW.

WHEREAS, the Ohio General Assembly recently adopted Sub. House Bill 172;

WHEREAS, Sub. House Bill 172 amended Ohio R.C. 3743.45 to allow any person authorized to possess 1.4 G fireworks in Ohio to discharge, ignite, or explode those fireworks on private property on ten (10) specific days of the year;

WHEREAS, Sub. House Bill 172 permits municipal corporations to restrict and/or ban the discharge, ignition, or explosion of fireworks within the municipality, including the specific days authorized by Ohio R.C. 3743.45; and

WHEREAS, this Council desires to continue to prohibit the discharge, ignition, or explosion of fireworks in the City to preserve the public health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the City of Hudson.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Hudson, County of Summit, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1: Section 672.12 (f)(2) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Hudson is hereby amended as follows:

"672.12 FIREWORKS.

(f)(2) Except as provided in Ohio R.C. 3743.80 or a substantially similar municipal ordinance, and except for licensed exhibitors of fireworks authorized to conduct a fireworks exhibition pursuant to Ohio R.C. 3743.50 through 3743.55 or a substantially similar municipal ordinance, no person shall discharge, ignite, or explode any fireworks in this Municipality. Pursuant to Ohio R.C. 3743.45(D) this prohibition applies to ban the discharge, ignition, or explosion of all fireworks purchased pursuant to Ohio R.C. 3743.45 within this Municipality on all dates and at all times, including any and all of the dates set forth in Ohio R.C. 3743.45(B).

Section 2: Section 672.12(f)(2) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Hudson as it existed prior to the effective date of this Ordinance is hereby repealed.

Section 3: This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____

ATTEST:

Christopher W. Foster, Acting Mayor and President of Council

Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council
