

REQUESTED BY:
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LAW DEPARTMENT
DRAFT NO.3697

TITLE

A RESOLUTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF OPPOSING
THE REPEAL OF THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT,
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

RESOLUTION NO. 4622/17

WHEREAS, Americans want and deserve healthcare that enables their children to grow into their full potential, does not force them into impossible choices between receiving lifesaving treatments and medicine, or putting food on the table, and makes it possible for our seniors to be more involved in the lives of their families and communities; and

WHEREAS, under the Affordable Care Act (ACA), millions of previously uninsured Americans now have affordable and comprehensive health insurance coverage through the health insurance marketplace and the expansion of the Medicaid program, significantly reducing the uninsured rate. In Ohio's 13th Congressional District, 42,200 individuals would lose their coverage under the proposed American Health Care Act (AHCA); and

WHEREAS, according to the Congressional budget office, the ACA has helped reduce the Country's deficit and extended the future solvency of Medicare. The repeal of the ACA would reverse those positive fiscal trends; and

WHEREAS, more than 74 million people get health benefits through Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). Repealing the ACA and replacing it with the AHCA will take health benefits away from more than 11 million people who gained coverage through Medicaid expansion, including 11,000 individuals in Ohio's 13th Congressional District; and; and

WHEREAS, the health and safety of our community depends on a strong and widely accessible healthcare system. Our community is exposed to job loss as 15.8% of Trumbull County private employment is in the health care sector. We face degraded health and untimely death as 51% of the population under 65 of the 13th Congressional District or 287,000 people are estimated to have pre-existing conditions. Our communities will also suffer from the loss of funds to address the opioid epidemic in Trumbull County; ranked in the top ten of Ohio's 88 Counties in opioid deaths in 2016;
NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Warren, State of Ohio:

Section 1: That the Administration and Council of the City of Warren do hereby go on public record opposing any and all attacks on our health benefits through the proposed AHCA.

Section 2: That the Administration and Council of the City of Warren call upon all members of Congress representing the people of Ohio, to oppose any and all attacks on our health benefits.

Section 3: That this Resolution is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the City of Warren. WHEREFORE, this Resolution shall go into immediate effect.

Passed in Council this 12TH day of July, 2017.

SIGNED:

[Signature]
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST:

[Signature]
CLERK

FILED WITH THE MAYOR:

7-12-17

DATE APPROVED:

7-12-17

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MAYOR, CITY OF WARREN, OHIO