AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT THE NORTHEAST OHIO PUBLIC ENERGY COUNCIL (NOPEC) 2025 ENERGIZED COMMUNITY GRANT(S) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Avon Lake is a member of the Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (NOPEC) and is eligible for one or more NOPEC Energized Community (NEC) Grant(s) for 2025 as provided for in the NEC Grant Program guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to enter into a Grant Agreement with NOPEC, Inc., in substantially the form presented to this Council to receive one or more NEC Grant(s).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AVON LAKE, STATE OF OHIO:

Section No. 1: That Council finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the City to accept the NEC Grant(s) for 2025 and authorizes the Mayor to execute the Grant Agreement to accept the NEC Grant(s) funds.

<u>Section No. 2</u>: That Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

<u>Section No. 3</u>: That this Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure, the emergency being the necessity for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare of the City. Therefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Mayor.

1st Reading: 1/27/2025 2nd Reading: 2/10/2025 3rd Reading:

PASSED: 2/24/2025

POSTED: 2/28/2025

/s/Jennifer J. Fenderbosch

APPROVED: 2/24/2025

ATTEST: <u>/a/Valerie</u> <u>Clerk of Council</u>

[s/Mark A. Spastzel____ Mayor