

RESOLUTION NO. 223-21

BY: **DEBORAH LIME**

A RESOLUTION URGING THE OHIO SENATE VETERANS AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE TO APPROVE H.B. 23 REQUIRING EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE PERSONNEL AND PEACE OFFICERS TO UNDERGO DEMENTIA-RELATED TRAINING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, First Responders frequently interact with individuals who have dementia in a variety of settings and are among the first to observe instances of abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, without the proper training on how to recognize the signs and communicate effectively with people who have dementia, situations may escalate quickly with potentially dangerous consequences; and

WHEREAS, enhanced dementia training for Ohio’s Police forces and EMS personnel is not just a good idea, it could save lives; and

WHEREAS, The Ohio House of Representatives overwhelmingly passed H.B. 23 and urge the Ohio Senate to vote in the same manner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARMA, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. This Council supports the Administration urging the Ohio Senate to approve H.B. 23 requiring dementia-related training for Emergency Medical Service Personnel and Peace Officers.

Section 2. That the Clerk of Council is hereby directed to forward a true and accurate copy of this Resolution to State Senator Nickie J. Antonio, and to State Representative Jeffrey A. Crossman.

Section 3. That it is 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 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.

Section 4. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the City of Parma, and for the further reason that this measure is necessary in order to urge the Ohio Senate to approve H.B. 23, and this Resolution shall become immediately effective upon receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council and approval of the Mayor, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: \_\_\_\_\_ PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
CLERK OF COUNCIL

FILED WITH  
THE MAYOR: \_\_\_\_\_ MAYOR, CITY OF PARMA, OHIO