

RESOLUTION NO. 141-23

BY: **KEVIN KUSSMAUL**

A RESOLUTION ON THE OPERATING
FUTURE OF THE PARMA CITY SCHOOL
DISTRICT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, this November the Parma City School District (PCSD) will have a combined renewal levy on the ballot. The passage of this levy is critical for the continuing operation of the Parma City School District, and we urge the passage of the renewal this November;

WHEREAS, due to the declining number of students three high schools are no longer needed in the Parma City School District. The PCSD Board of Education and Administration have moved to reduce the number of buildings;

WHEREAS, during the PCSD's Focus on the Future and the Building Our Future meetings one thing was consistent - that the PCSD would never receive funding for the renovation of existing buildings;

WHEREAS, the discovery of a waiver to renovate existing buildings while still receiving the OFCC funding was not presented to the public during planning meetings;

WHEREAS, given the community voting down four bonds for new construction of buildings, we ask the Board of Education to halt the demolition of Parma Senior High and Renwood Elementary; this would allow the district to seek input from the communities to see if pursuing a new master plan of refurbishing the existing buildings to determine what buildings the district may use in the future would appeal to the residents;

WHEREAS, we all want a refreshed learning environment for our children whether it is a new construction or renovation/refurbishment of existing buildings; the voters should have the opportunity to decide;

WHEREAS, we thank the district for their consideration and work to better the future of our children.

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

Section 1. That the Council of the City of Parma hereby urge the Parma City School District to not demolish Parma Senior High School or Renwood Elementary School.

Section 2. This November the Parma City School District will have a combined renewal levy on the ballot. The passage of this levy is critical for the continuing operation of the Parma City School District, and we urge the passage of the renewal in November.

Section 3. That the Clerk of Council is hereby directed to forward a true and accurate copy of this Resolution to the Parma City School District School Board.

Section 4. 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 5. 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 the demolition is scheduled for the very near future, 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

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