## **ORDINANCE NO. 2025-6**

## AN ORDINANCE

APPROVING THE ADJUSTMENT OF THE BOUNDARY LINES SEPARATING THE VILLAGE OF WAITE HILL AND THE CITY OF WILLOUGHBY BY MUTUAL CONSENT AND DIRECTING THE PROCESSING OF THE BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.

WHEREAS, the Village of Waite Hill ("Waite Hill" or "Village") and the City of Willoughby ("Willoughby") are municipal corporations (together "municipalities") located in Lake County, Ohio that have common boundary lines separating them; and

WHEREAS, Waite Hill and Willoughby have mutually consented and agreed to certain changes in the boundary lines separating them; and

WHEREAS, Waite Hill and Willoughby have caused to be prepared plats of corporation line adjustments for which the boundary adjustments are being made that are depicted in the Plat for Corporate Line Adjustment "Area A" and Plat for Corporate Line Adjustment "Area B" attached to this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the municipalities have agreed to transfer certain territory from Waite Hill to Willoughby pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 709.37 as depicted on the aforementioned Plats (appended hereto) and that no adjustment of funds, unpaid taxes, claims, indebtedness, or other fiscal matters be made between the municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the territory being transferred is not inhabited by any voters; and

WHEREAS, Council has reviewed the proposed municipal boundary adjustment and attached exhibits and agrees with and consents to an adjustment of the boundary lines separating Waite Hill and the Willoughby as shown thereon; and

WHEREAS, Council finds that it is in the best interest of Waite Hill, the geographic integrity of the Village and the region, and the health, safety and welfare of its residents to adjust its boundaries with the City of Willoughby.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL VILLAGE OF WAITE HILL, LAKE COUNTY STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1: That this Council hereby consents and agrees to the adjustment of the adjoining boundaries of the Village of Waite Hill and the City of Willoughby depicted in attached Plat for Corporation Line Adjustment "Area A" and Plat for Corporation Line Adjustment "Area B" in the manner provided by law. The Village administration may take such further actions as may be required by law to enact the boundary adjustment provided for in this Ordinance.

SECTION 2: That this Council finds the change in municipal boundaries and transfer of property from Waite Hill to Willoughby does not involve the transfer of territory inhabited by more than five voters from one municipality to the other or from each municipality to the other and that no adjustment of funds, unpaid taxes, claims, indebtedness, or other fiscal matters should be made between the municipalities.

<u>SECTION 3:</u> Waite Hill and Willoughby have agreed and the Village of Waite Hill requests that the Commissioners make no adjustment of funds, unpaid taxes, claims, indebtedness, or other fiscal matters between the Village of Waite Hill and the City of Willoughby and agree that none are proper.

SECTION 4: The Village Engineer is hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to accomplish such boundary adjustment as provided by law, including filing certified ordinances of the municipalities with the Lake County Board of County Commissioners, including appearing and speaking on behalf of Waite Hill in support and defense of the boundary adjustment, and is further authorized and directed, along with the Clerk of Council to file and record all necessary documents and papers, including filing the transcripts of the ordinances, agreements and resolutions certified by the Board of County Commissioners in the office of the secretary of state and recording them with the Lake County, Ohio recorder and doing all other things necessary to accomplish the such boundary adjustment.

SECTION 5: That the Clerk of Council is authorized and directed to certify a copy of this Ordinance for the Lake County Board of County Commissioners, which shall, upon filing with the Board, constitute a request by the Village of Waite Hill for the Commissioners to proceed by resolution to approve such change of boundary by mutual consent as required by law.

<u>SECTION 6:</u> That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED:,	2025	Council President	
Submitted to the Mayor for his approval on this			
day of, 2	2025	Approved by the Mayor	
ATTEST:			, 2025
Clerk-Treasurer		Mayor	



