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CITY OF BROOK PARK, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO. 11-2015

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCILWOMAN POWERS

A RESOLUTION
REQUESTING THE PUBLIC UTILITIES
COMMISSION OF OHIO LIMIT UTILITY
PROVIDER'S ABILITY TO CONDUCT HOME SOLICITATION

WHEREAS, Ohioans have more freedom to choose their electric and natural gas suppliers which has led to increased competition in the marketplace; and

WHEREAS, many of these suppliers provide written communications with their supply offerings, several have resorted to hiring marketers and contractors to engage in home solicitation by going door-to-door; and

WHEREAS, these marketers frequently engage in deceptive and aggressive tactics such as demanding to see a customer's utility bill, not allowing customers to close the door, misrepresenting what company they work for, misrepresenting the effects of a transaction; and

WHEREAS, the aggressive tactics used by utility companies and their marketers negatively impact members of the community, especially seniors, by deceptively enticing individuals to change their natural gas or electricity service provider; and

WHEREAS, these utility companies have other channels of solicitation such as direct mail or advertising.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Brook Park, State of Ohio that:

SECTION 1: That this Council and Administration do hereby request that the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ban door-to-door solicitation by utility providers.

SECTION 2: That the Clerk of Council is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this Resolution the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio and the Ohio Consumers' Counsel.

SECTION 3: It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all

deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 4: This Resolution shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by law.

PASSED: May 19, 2015

Dennis J. Patton
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: Michelle Blazak
CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED: [Signature]
MAYOR
5/29/2015
DATE

I HEREBY APPROVE THE WITHIN INSTRUMENT AS TO LEGAL FORM AND CORRECTNESS

[Signature]
DIRECTOR OF TAX

I, Michelle Blazak, Clerk of Council for the City of Brook Park, State of Ohio, do hereby certify that there is no newspaper of general circulation in the municipality and that publication of the foregoing ordinances/resolutions was made by posting true copies at six of the most public places in said municipality as determined by Ordinance No. 4838-1975; location City Hall 6161 Engle Road, Police Station 17401 Holland Road, #1 Fire Station 5590 Smith Road, #2 Fire Station 22530 Ruple Parkway, #3 Fire Station 17401 Holland Road, Brook Park Library 6165 Engle Road, for a period of fifteen days.

CERTIFICATE

Michelle Blazak, Clerk of Council, of the City of Brook Park, Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of Ordinance/Resolution

No. 11-2015
passed on the 19th day of May
20 15 by said council.

Michelle Blazak
Clerk of Council

commencing May 20, 2015
Michelle Blazak
MICHELLE BLAZAK
Clerk of Council