TITLE

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WARREN, OHIO, PART 15, FIRE PREVENTION CODE, BY AMENDMENT BY ADDING SECTION 1505.12, FIRE AND SMOKE DAMPER INSPECTIONS, AND DECLARING AND EMERGENCY.

ordinance no. <u>12708/1</u>7

WHEREAS, the City of Warren, Ohio wishes to establish regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire, smoke and explosion; and

WHEREAS, the City of Warren wishes to provide the inspections of all fire and smoke dampers in all Heating Ventilation Air Condition Units (hereinafter referred to as "HVAC") of City owned or leased buildings; and

WHEREAS, Council wishes to provide for Fire and Smoke Damper Inspections of all HVAC units in City owned or leased buildings, so as to insure that we are following the most up to date National Fire Protection Association (hereinafter referred to as NFPA) regulations; and

WHEREAS, It is therefore necessary to amend the Codified Ordinances of the City of Warren, Part 15, Fire Prevention Codes, by adding Section 1505.12 "Fire and Smoke Damper Inspections"; and

WHEREAS, Council desires to provide for the addition of Section 1505.12 "Fire and Smoke Damper Inspections"; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance is necessary to promote and protect the public health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the City of Warren; NOW THEREFORE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Warren, State of Ohio:

Section 1: That Part 15, Fire Prevention Code, Section 1505.12 FIRE AND SMOKE DAMPER INSPECTIONS be added to our Fire Prevention Code to read as follows:

1505.12 FIRE AND SMOKE DAMPER INSPECTIONS

- (a) Adoption By Reference. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 731.233, there is hereby adopted by the Municipality, for the purposes of prescribing regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire, smoke and explosion, the requirement for fire and smoke damper inspections conducted in accordance with NFPA standards as adopted, published and recommended by the NFPA, save and except such portions as may be hereinafter deleted or amended. Said NFPA standards are incorporated in this Chapter by reference as if fully set forth at length herein as it relates to Fire and Smoke Damper Inspections, and such Code shall be known as the Fire Prevention Code of the Municipality.
- (b) <u>Regularity, Monitoring and Costs of Inspections.</u> All fire and smoke damper units in "City Owned and Operated Buildings" shall be inspected every four (4) years. Compliance with this inspection requirement shall be monitored by the Building Department and the Director of Service and Safety.
- (c) <u>Regulations Governing Inspections and Requirements for Inspectors.</u>
 The inspections shall be conducted in accordance with NFPA standards. The inspections shall be conducted by technicians and contractors who have been certified by the International Certification Board (hereinafter referred to as "ICB") and American National Standards Institute (hereinafter referred to as "ANSI") to ensure the quality of the inspection process.

- (d) Record of Inspections and Repairs. The results of the inspections are to be given to the Building Department within thirty (30) days of the completion of the inspection. The Building Department will keep those inspection reports until the next inspection is completed four (4) years later. If the fire and smoke damper systems are found to be faulty, repairs must be completed and approved by an ICNB and ANSI certified contractor and technicians within sixty day (60) days from the date the system was found to be faulty.
- Section 2: That Part 1505.12 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Warren, Ohio is hereby amended as provided for herein and all other provisions of Part 1505 shall remain in full force and effect.
- Section 3: That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, welfare and safety of the City of Warren, and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary to incorporate the National Fire Protection Association regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire, smoke and explosion into the City of Warren's Fire Prevention, and to ensure that the City of Warren has adopted and is operating under the most current fire and smoke damper regulations. WHEREFORE, this Ordinance shall go into immediate effect.