A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF STATE ISSUE 2, RENEWAL OF THE STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, ON THE MAY 6, 2025, STATEWIDE BALLOT.

WHEREAS, the State Capital Improvement Program (SCIP) is a state-local government partnership program that funds local infrastructure projects in communities across Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the program has, for nearly 40 years, provided over \$7 billion for improvements to keep Ohio's roads and bridges safe and in good condition for residents, first responders, and all motorists traveling on Ohio roadways, and to improve local wastewater treatment, water supply, and stormwater infrastructure in all 88 Ohio counties; and

WHEREAS, the SCIP provides essential grants, loans, and loan assistance to local governments, including municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the renewal of the SCIP will not raise taxes for Ohioans, and the renewal is critical to prevent a gap in infrastructure investment, as the current authorization is set to sunset July 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, funding for the SCIP relies on an amendment to Ohio's Constitution about every ten years, and has been overwhelmingly approved by voters three times since its creation in 1987; and

WHEREAS, the City of Avon Lake has benefitted from the SCIP and receiving grant funds for road infrastructure projects, which have significantly improved the quality of life and safety for Township residents; and

WHEREAS, infrastructure investment encourages economic development, creates and maintains business contributes to public health and safety, creates construction jobs, and helps keep Ohio competitive.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AVON LAKE, STATE OF OHIO:

<u>Section No. 1</u>: That this Council hereby joins the Strong Ohio Communities Coalition in support of State Issue 2 and urges a YES vote on Issue 2 on May 6, 2025.

<u>Section No. 2</u>: That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees, which 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 No. 3: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect at the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: 3/24/2025

*[stMark A. Spastzel* Mayor

APPROVED: 3/25/2025 POSTED: 3/28/2025

ATTEST: /s/Valeris C. Rosmarin
Clerk of Council