

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-12 (AMENDED)

**A RESOLUTION
OF SUPPORT BY THE VILLAGE OF ORANGE, OHIO TO
HOLD THE 2030 SPECIAL OLYMPICS IN CLEVELAND,
OHIO.**

WHEREAS, Olympic games are the pinnacle of competition and Olympic Athletes represent the very best capabilities in their respective sport; and

WHEREAS, Special Olympic Athletes represent the epitome of the best through heart, drive, spirit and dedication to preparing for competition with participants ages as young as eight years old; and

WHEREAS, Special Olympics North America has over one half million athletes participating in all 32 sports offered by Special Olympics; and

WHEREAS, 4,000 Special Olympic Athletes qualify for the USA Games through competitions held at the individual State level; and

WHEREAS, The City of Cleveland has presented a bid to the 2030 Special Olympics USA Site Selection Committee to have the 2030 Special Olympic Games held in Cleveland, The LAND of HOPE, HEART and HEROES; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Cleveland area has a welcoming and inclusive population and unprecedented facilities in which to house athletes and host the various competitive sports.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF ORANGE VILLAGE, CUYAHOGA COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the member Mayors and City Managers, on behalf of themselves and the one and one quarter million residents they proudly represent, offer our most enthusiastic support for the Cleveland Host Committee's bid for locating the 2030 Special Olympics USA Games in Greater Cleveland, Ohio.

SECTION 2. That the Cuyahoga County Mayors and City Managers Association President, Mayor Kirsten Holzheimer Gail, be and she is hereby requested to present a fully executed duplicate of this Resolution to the Cleveland Host Committee to accompany their bid prepared for the 2030 Special Olympics Site Selection Committee, and the Executive Director be and she is hereby directed to file the original in the Association's Journal.

SECTION 3. That the 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 that resulted in such formal action were held in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 105 of the Code of Ordinances of Orange Village.

SECTION 4. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its adoption and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: October 9, 2024



Council Presiding Officer


Submitted to the Mayor for

approval on this 9th day of October, 2024

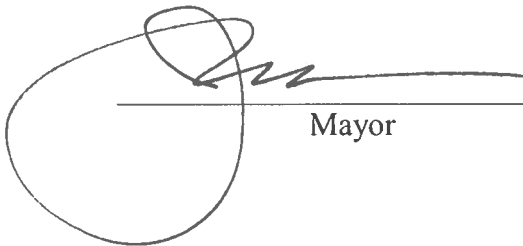
Approved by the Mayor this

9th day of October, 2024

ATTEST:



Clerk of Council



Mayor