ORDINANCE RE-DECLARING THE CITY OF MARION'S SUPPORT FOR DOWNTOWN MARION, INC., INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO FINANCIAL SUPPORT IN ORDER TO CONTINUE THE COMMUNITY'S EFFORTS TO REVITALIZE THE DOWNTOWN AREA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, previous Ordinances have declared the Council's support for Downtown Marion, Inc. and its continued efforts to enhance and revitalize the community's downtown and this Council has determined the benefits arising from the City's relationship with Downtown Marion, Inc. could be substantial, and

WHEREAS, the current Council finds it in the best interests of the City of Marion to continue the previous support of the downtown and the aforementioned Committee,

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the City of Marion, Marion County, Ohio:

SECTION 1. The Council directs and authorizes the Mayor to enter into agreement, for a twelve (12) month period beginning with January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2022. Downtown Marion, Inc. shall provide Council with an annual report in the last quarter of each year and at such other times as the Council requests or the Committee believes it to be appropriate. In addition, the Council mandates that it is a requirement that said support is contingent upon the Chairperson or his/her designee from the Jobs and Economic Development Committee of Council and the Mayor's designee being entitled to serve as a voting member of the Board governing Downtown Marion, Inc.

SECTION 2. The Council determines the best course in regard to annual amount of support to be that which is afforded and as administered by the Administration in the 2022 annual budget for the City of Marion, Ohio in the respective established line item.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

APPROVED:

Todd Schneider President of Council

Mayor Scott Schertzer

ATTEST:

Tarina R. Rose Clerk of Council