CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 2015 - <u>241</u>

By: Mayor Perciak and Mr. DeMio

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN EACH RANK IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Section 252.01(a) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Strongsville establishes the membership of the uniformed ranks of the Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Section 252.01(b) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Strongsville provides that the number of members of each rank of officer in the Fire Department shall be as authorized by Council; and

WHEREAS, this Council previously established the maximum number of members of each rank of officer in the Fire Department through adoption of Ordinance No. 2015-043 on March 2, 2015; and

WHEREAS, due to various promotions and other personnel considerations, this Council has determined that it would be in the City's best interests to now increase the number of captain positions from three (3) to four (4) in the Fire Department, and make other adjustments to the firefighter manpower numbers in order to conform them to actual current levels of personnel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA AND STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That, pursuant to Section 252.01(b) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Strongsville, this Council hereby establishes the maximum number of members of each rank of officer in the Fire Department as follows:

Rank	Maximum Number
Chief	1
Assistant Chief	2
Captain	34
Lieutenant	14*
Firefighter	444 0**

- * This number shall include any lieutenant(s) designated as lieutenant paramedic.
- ** This number shall include any firefighter(s) designated as firefighterparamedic.

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Section 2. That the funds for the purposes of this Ordinance have been appropriated and shall be paid from the General Fund.

Section 3. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council; and that all deliberations of this Council, and any of its committees, that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 4. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare of the City, and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary to adjust the maximum number of members within the ranks of the Fire Department to conform to optimal manpower levels, to provide for the most efficient daily operation of the Fire Department, and to conserve public funds. Therefore, provided this Ordinance receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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