Ordinance No. 43

An ordinance to provide that village elections shall be non-partisan.

THE VILLAGE OF MUIR ORDAINS:

<u>Section 1</u> As authorized by Chapter 3, Section 3 of the General Village Law Act, being Act 3 of the Public Acts of 1895, as amended, village elections shall be non-partisan, beginning with the first village election for which the nomination deadline is not less than 30 days after the effective date of this Ordinance. All elections in the village shall be conducted as nearly as may be in the manner provided by law for holding general elections in the state, except as provided in this act. If at any election vacancies are to be filled, or if any person is to be elected for less than a full term of office, the term shall be designated on the ballot.

Section 2 This Ordinance shall take effect 45 days after the date of its adoption, unless a petition signed by not less than 10 percent of the registered electors of the village is filed with the village clerk or village office within such 45 days. If any such valid petition is filed within such period of time, this Ordinance shall then take effect only upon its approval at a village election held on the question of whether the Ordinance shall be approved. Notice of any delayed effect of this Ordinance and the right of petition under this section shall be published separately, at the same time and in the same manner as the Ordinance or a notice of the Ordinance is published in a local newspaper of general circulation. In the event any such valid petition is filed, the question of approval of this Ordinance shall be submitted at the next general village election or special election.

<u>Section 3</u> The village president or his designee shall arrange for the required publication of a notice of adoption of the Ordinance and publication of notice of the right of petition, as stated above.

<u>Section 4</u> This Ordinance shall be adopted by an affirmative vote of at least twothirds of the members of the Muir Village Council.

YEAS: Walkington, Schneider, Jones, Waterman, & Crooke

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absent-Hills & Flanders

ORDINANCE DECLARED ADOPTED May 4, 1999

Laura Stewarts
Muir Village Clerk