RESOLUTION NO. 2023-43

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A NATURAL GAS AGGREGATION SUPPLY AGREEMENT WITH ASPEN ENERGY WHEN MARKET CONDITIONS ARE FAVORABLE FOR THE RESIDENTS OF VILLAGE OF GRANVILLE

- WHEREAS, the Village Council, pursuant to § 4929.26 of the Ohio Revised Code, is authorized to aggregate the eligible retail natural gas loads located within the municipal corporation and enter into service agreements for the sale and purchase of electricity for those loads; and
- WHEREAS, R. C. § 4929.26 permits the Village Council to exercise such authority on its own or jointly with the Board of Trustees of Granville Township; and
- **WHEREAS**, local aggregation provides an opportunity for eligible residential and small commercial consumers to participate collectively to acquire an alternate source of the natural gas commodity; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees of Granville Township has passed a Resolution authorizing the Board of Trustees to join with the Village to aggregate the eligible retail natural gas loads located within the unincorporated areas of Granville Township; and
- WHEREAS, Village Council hereby finds that it is in the interest of the Village of Granville and its residents to authorize local aggregation of eligible natural gas loads within the municipal corporation through an "opt out" aggregation model; and
- **WHEREAS**, Village Council hereby finds that it is in the interest of the Village of Granville and its residents to authorize the exercise of such authority jointly with the Board of Trustees of Granville Township; and
- **WHEREAS**, in order for Village Council to exercise such authority jointly with the Board of Trustees of Granville Township through an "opt out" aggregation model was certified as an approved municipal aggregator after a public election May 2, 2023; and
- WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 05-2023 authorized local aggregation of retail natural gas loads in accordance with 4926.26 of the Ohio Revised Code: and
- WHEREAS, the Granville Board of Trustees and Village Council have selected Aspen Energy as the municipal aggregator and Aspen Energy will provide a contract to provide the natural gas commodity to the Granville community, as set out in Exhibit "A", a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, when the market conditions are favorable; and
- WHEREAS, the Village Council finds that it is in the best interest of the Village of Granville to enter into a contract for said Aggregation Plan (Exhibit "A"), when market conditions are favorable; and
- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Village Council of Granville, Ohio that:
- **Section I**: The Granville Village Council approves the adoption of the contract to provide the natural gas commodity pursuant to the Natural Gas Aggregation Plan of Operation and Governance, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit "B"
- **Section II.** Village Council hereby authorizes the Village Manager to sign the contract for the said Agreement, when market conditions are favorable, attached hereto as

Exhibit "A."

Section III: This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage,

Passed this 4th day of October, 2023.

Mayor Melissa Hartfield

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

William Mattes, Law Director