

RESOLUTION NO. 12-26

BY: **DEBORAH LIME**

A RESOLUTION OBJECTING TO FIRSTENERGY’S REQUEST TO LET POWER OUTAGES LAST LONGER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, FirstEnergy is asking state regulators for permission to let Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co., Ohio Edison, and Toledo Edison extend the time it takes to restore service after a power outage and to increase the number of permissible outages per year; and

WHEREAS, FirstEnergy claims it needs more flexibility on reliability rules because of an increase in damaging weather and tree-related issues: and

WHEREAS, legislators and local officials argue that weakening reliability rules would ask customers to accept lower standards and more frequent outages after years of infrastructure spending; and

WHEREAS, many lawmakers claim that lowering outage standards shifts the risk onto customers instead of fixing the problem.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PARMA, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That the Council and the Administration of the City of Parma hereby oppose FirstEnergy’s request to permit longer power outages.

Section 2. That the Clerk of Council is hereby directed to forward a true and accurate copy of this Resolution to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO).

Section 3. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution 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 Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the City of Parma, and for the further reason this measure is necessary due to the hearing with PUCO is being held on February 26, 2026; and this Resolution shall become immediately effective upon receiving the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members elected to Council and approval of the Mayor, otherwise from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: _____

CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED: _____

FILED WITH
THE MAYOR: _____

MAYOR, CITY OF PARMA, OHIO