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RESOLUTION NO. 6 - 2017

EXPRESSING the opposition of the Mayor and City Council to the proposed repeal of the Affordable Care Act, based on the catastrophic impact such a repeal would have on the lives of millions of Americans who currently rely on the Affordable Care Act for health insurance coverage for themselves and their families as well as on the lives of thousands of health care workers in Hamilton County.

WHEREAS, repeal of the Affordable Care Act (“ACA” or “the Act”) would create a catastrophic impact on the lives of millions of Americans who currently rely on the ACA for health insurance coverage for themselves and their families; and

WHEREAS, according to the Congressional Budget Office, if the Affordable Care Act were repealed, the number of people who are uninsured would increase by 18 million in the first new plan year following enactment of the bill repealing the Act; and

WHEREAS, according to the Congressional Budget Office, after the elimination of the ACA’s expansion of Medicaid eligibility and of subsidies for insurance purchased through the ACA marketplaces, that number would increase to 27 million and then to 32 million in 2026; and

WHEREAS, according to the Congressional Budget Office, premiums for individual policies purchased through the marketplaces or directly from insurers would increase by 20 percent to 25 percent in the first new plan year following enactment of the bill repealing the Act; and

WHEREAS, according to the Congressional Budget Office, the increase would reach about 50 percent in the year following the elimination of the Medicaid expansion and the marketplace subsidies, and premiums would approximately double by 2026; and

WHEREAS, according to the Congressional Budget Office, under the Affordable Care Act from 2013-2015, the number of uninsured residents of Ohio Congressional District 1 fell by 50.53% and the number of uninsured residents in Ohio Congressional District 2 fell by 39.23%; and

WHEREAS, in addition, a repeal of the Act would affect the job security and the lives of the thousands of health care workers in Hamilton County; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cincinnati, State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Cincinnati oppose the proposed repeal of the Affordable Care Act (“ACA”), based on the catastrophic impact such a

repeal would have on the lives of millions of Americans who currently rely on the ACA for health insurance coverage for themselves and their families as well as on the lives of thousands of health care workers in Hamilton County.

Section 2. That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of Council and that copies be sent to U.S. Representative Steve Chabot, 2371 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515; U.S. Representative Brad Wenstrup, 2419 Rayburn H.O.B., Washington, DC 20515; U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown, 713 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510; and U.S. Senator Rob Portman, 448 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510.

Passed: January 19, 2017

Attest: [Signature]
Clerk

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John Cranley, Mayor

Submitted by Vice Mayor David Mann