ORDINANCE NO. 6, 2017

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING MEDICAL MARIJUANA CULTIVATORS, PROCESSORS AND RETAIL DISPENSORY ESTABLISHMENTS LICENSED UNDER OHIO REVISED CODE CHAPTER 3796 TO CONDUCT BUSINESS WITHIN MUNICIPAL LIMITS OF THE VILLAGE OF MARBLEHEAD

WHEREAS, Substitute HB No. 523, passed by the 131st Ohio General Assembly and thereupon signed by Governor Kasich, June 9, 2016, authorized use of marijuana for medical purposes and established the medical marijuana control program; and

WHEREAS, this Village Council has determined it to be in the best interest of the community health, safety and welfare to prohibit any cultivation, processing or retail dispensing of marijuana for medical purposes in any form within the Village; and

WHEREAS, Ohio’s Home Rule Authority, found in Article XVIII of Ohio’s Constitution, and Ohio Revised Code §3796.29 provides that the legislative authority of a municipal corporation may adopt an ordinance to prohibit, or limit the number of, cultivators, processors or retail dispensaries licensed under Chapter 3796 within the municipal corporation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF MARBLEHEAD, OTTAWA COUNTY, OHIO:

Section 1.

The cultivation, processing or retail dispensing of medical marijuana, even under a license issued under Chapter 3796 of the Ohio Revised Code, is prohibited within the Village of Marblehead. The violation of this Ordinance is a misdemeanor of the fourth degree.

Section 2.

This Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of Council, and of its committees, which result in formal action, were taken in full compliance with the applicable legal requirements.
Section 3.

That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect after the earliest date allowed by law.

Approved: ______________, 2017

[Signature]
Jacqueline A. Bird, Mayor

Attest:

[Signature]
Rhonda Botti Sowers, Fiscal Officer

Dated: ______________, 2017

1st Reading ________________ 2nd Reading ________________ 3rd Reading ________________

Passed: yes X no ___ Vote: yea 3 nay 2 Immediate effect: yes ___ no X