



# City of North Canton, Ohio

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## Resolution of North Canton City Council

A Resolution of North Canton City Council encouraging the Ohio General Assembly and Governor's Administration to place a moratorium on the future use of horizontal hydraulic fracturing ("fracking") for the commercial extraction of natural gas until the safety of the process and related chemicals have been fully investigated and vetted through the Ohio and United States Environmental Protection agencies.

WHEREAS, North Canton City Council wishes to express their concern over fracking in Stark County and the State; and

WHEREAS, according to credible news sources and anecdotal evidence, fracking has allegedly resulted in the damage of nearby water well casings and the pollution of wells with toxic chemicals; and

WHEREAS, large mining apparatus with increased related traffic are necessary to fracking as in the transport, high-pressure use and collection of large amounts of toxic chemicals which also pose a risk of air, land and water pollution; and

WHEREAS, numerous political subdivisions, other state authorities and medical associations are calling for a moratorium on fracking in their respective areas to protect their ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Canton and its residents rely on the City's water resources as a magnificent health and economic resource; and

WHEREAS, North Canton City Council is charged with protecting the health, safety and welfare of their residents via their police powers and constitutional home rule authority under Ohio law; and


WHEREAS, the City of North Canton authorities are conducting legal research and pursuing due diligence investigation into safeguarding their residents, lands, water transport and aquifers via future local legislation from the potential threats of fracking.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH CANTON, COUNTY OF STARK, STATE OF OHIO:

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- Section 1. That North Canton City Council encourages the Ohio General Assembly and Governor's Administration to place a moratorium on the future use of horizontal hydraulic fracturing ("fracking") for the commercial extraction of natural gas until the safety of the process and related chemicals have been fully investigated and vetted through the Ohio and United States Environmental Protection agencies.
- Section 2. That North Canton City Council wishes to express their concerns over the adverse effects and possible irreversible damage to the City's water systems and supplies that pose a threat to the health, safety and welfare and that of future generations.
- Section 3. That a copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded, via Certified Mail, to the Ohio Governor's Office, the Leadership of the Ohio House and Senate and the Senator and Representative serving the City of North Canton in the Ohio General Assembly as well as the Stark Council of Governments.

Respectfully submitted,



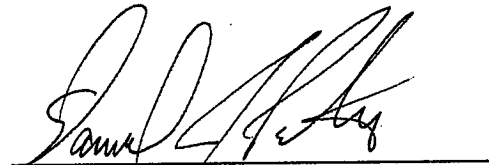
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Jon Snyder, President



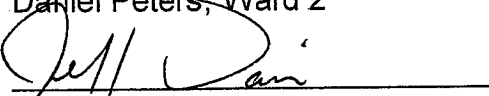
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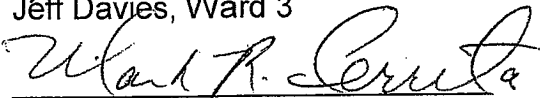
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Daniel Peters, Ward 2



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- c: Governor Kasich
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- Representative Schuring
- Representative Slesnick
- Representative Snitchler
- Senator Faber, President Pro Tempore
- Senator Jones, Majority Whip
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