

Proposed: 2/6/2023

RESOLUTION NO. 018-2023(COTW), *First Reading*

By: City Council

A Resolution honoring Record Revolution; and declaring the necessity that this legislation become immediately effective as an emergency.

WHEREAS, Record Revolution was first established at 1832 Coventry in Cleveland Heights, Ohio in 1967 by Peter Schliewen; and

WHEREAS, Record Revolution quickly evolved into not only a record store, but a headshop, clothing boutique, a trend-setting shoe store, and full-service skateboard shop; and

WHEREAS, Record Revolution served as a lifestyle store for so many music fans who gathered to interact and exchange ideas and learn about each other; and

WHEREAS, Record Revolution appealed to a diverse group of people from all backgrounds who came together to uncover the secrets hidden in between the record album jackets; and

WHEREAS, Record Revolution became the trendsetters for breaking new music for bands like Mott The Hoople and Queen and for FM radio stations such as WMMS; and

WHEREAS, Record Revolution became a must stop for touring bands/musicians like George Clinton (P-Funk), Lou Reed, John Paul Jones and John Bonham (Led Zeppelin), Bruce Springsteen, the B 52's, the Pixie's, Trent Reznor (Nine Inch Nails), Queen, Robert Fripp (King Crimson), Le Tigre, the Yeah Yeah Yeahs, Mojo Nixon, and so many others; and

WHEREAS, Rob Love became the co-owner of Record Revolution in 2005 after working there since 1987, first as a skateboard assembler and later as part of the sales staff; and

WHEREAS, Record Revolution adapted to the changing times by bringing Stiff Records to the lower level of the store to sell used records and CDs; and

WHEREAS, Record Revolution sadly closed its doors on January 6, 2023 ending a 55-year run as the longest running independent record store in America.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that

SECTION 1. The City of Cleveland Heights thanks Record Revolution and Rob Love for all you have done for our community and for your contribution to promoting our City as the true Home To The Arts.

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SECTION 2. Notice of the passage of this Resolution shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

SECTION 3. This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to honor Record Revolution on a timely basis. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five (5) of more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

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MELODY JOY HART  
President of Council

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ADDIE BALESTER  
Clerk of Council

PASSED: \_\_\_\_\_

Presented to Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

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KAHLIL SEREN  
Mayor