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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

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We regret to inform everyone that the 4th of July fireworks display for 2020 is canceled. Many internal and public discussions took place leading to this decision involving several leaders of different organizations at the local and state levels over the past several weeks. The decision needed to be made today because the contractor that Napoleon uses for the annual fireworks display needs to be given enough time to plan the event. Much of the planning involves our Safety Services Departments and other City Departments to provide a safe and secure event. It is also necessary for the contractor to purchase the materials for the display in advance.

City officials were informed that the new interim director of the Ohio Department of Health, Lance Himes, and the legal counsel for the Ohio Department of Health stated that having a public fireworks display was prohibited at this time. These statements were made on June 11th, 2020 at an 11:00 a.m. meeting that included health officials from around the state. This position was later confirmed by our Henry County Health Department officials on June 12th.

City Manager

Joel L. Mazur

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