#### ORDINANCE NO. 1369

# AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING SECTION 521.11 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF BETHESDA, OHIO

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the Village of Bethesda:

SECTION 1. Section 521.11 of the Codified Ordinances are hereby repealed, and the following is enacted in its place:

### 521.11 WEEDS AND GRASSES

- (A) For the purposes of this ordinance, weeds and grasses are defined as any herbage that consists predominantly of narrow-leafed green plants, whether purposely cultivated or growing in a wild state, constituting the cover for a yard or lawn, and intended for use as or used as a lawn, near a dwelling or other buildings and visible from the public street or sidewalk.
- (B) It shall be unlawful for any owner or occupier of property to allow to grow weeds and grasses on said property higher than a height of eight (8) inches.
- (C) On or after the first day of May of each year the Mayor, shall make an inspection of properties reported to be in violation of this ordinance. The Mayor shall cause a written notice, prescribed by and endorsed by the Mayor, to be sent, by certified mail, return-receipt requested, to the owner or occupier of said property, advising said owner or occupier of the violation and granting him/her five (5) days from and after the date of receipt of said notice to remedy the violation without penalty.
- (D) After five (5) days from the date of receipt of notice of violation, if the condition remains unremedied, the owner or occupier of said property shall be charged with a minor misdemeanor.

(O.R.C. 731.51, 731.53, 731.54)

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by law.

MARTIN W. LUCAS, Mayor	

#### CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

The undersigned Clerk of Council hereby certifies that the foregoing Ordinance was adopted by Bethesda Village Council at a regular meeting on the 21st day of November, 2016.

## RICKY BURKHEAD, Clerk of Council