

Resolution No. 1163-2023

By Council Member Harsh

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION
Declaring Monday, April 8, 2024, Total Solar
Eclipse Day.

FOR ADOPTION
October 9, 2023

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2024, plants, animals and humans across North America will encounter a celestial experience like no other: a total solar eclipse; and

WHEREAS, a total solar eclipse is a phenomenon that occurs when the moon appears to block the sun's entire disk in the sky, resulting in dimming and cooling for minutes at a time as the lunar shadow sweeps across a portion of earth's surface; it is widely regarded as the most awe-inspiring and majestic natural wonder that can be observed in the world; and

WHEREAS, excitement surrounding the 2024 solar eclipse is building around Cleveland due to the region's location along the path of totality, which means residents and visitors will experience several minutes of darkness when the moon passes between the sun and the earth, completely blocking the face of the sun; and

WHEREAS, the solar eclipse will occur in Cleveland, Ohio on Monday, April 8, 2024, beginning at 1:59:20 p.m. EDT and ending at 4:28:57 p.m. EDT, with the maximum eclipse occurring at 3:15:37 p.m. EDT; and

WHEREAS, the Total Solar Eclipse of Monday, April 8, 2024, is the first since Monday, June 16, 1806, and represents the only time anyone currently alive will experience an eclipse in the city of Cleveland; it will be the last such eclipse to pass over the City for 420 years, until Monday, September 12, 2444, and the last to pass over any part of the State of Ohio for 75 years, until Monday, September 14, 2099; and

WHEREAS, this resolution constitutes an emergency measure for the immediate preservation of public peace, property, health or safety, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEVELAND:

Section 1. That this Council declares Monday, April 8, 2024, Total Solar Eclipse Day.

Section 2. That this resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and, provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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8/16/2023

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REPORT
after second Reading

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REPORTS

READ FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME

CITY CLERK

READ SECOND TIME

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READ THIRD TIME on OCTOBER 9, 2023

PRESIDENT

CITY CLERK

APPROVED

MAYOR