### THE CITY OF ROCHELLE Ogle County, Illinois

## **ORDINANCE**

# NO. \_\_\_\_\_

#### AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE ILLINOIS PAID LEAVE FOR ALL WORKERS ACT FOR THE CITY OF ROCHELLE

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WHEREAS, Section 7 of Article VII of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois provides that a municipality that is not a home rule unit shall only have the powers granted to them by law and as such the City of Rochelle ("City"), Ogle County, Illinois being a non-home rule unit pursuant to the provisions of said Section 7 of Article VII, and may exercise only the powers expressly granted by law; and

**WHEREAS**, the Illinois General Assembly granted non-home rule municipalities broad authority to "pass all ordinances and make all rules and regulations proper or necessary, to carry into effect the powers granted to municipalities." 65 ILCS 5/1-2-1; and

**WHEREAS**, on or about March 12, 2023, Governor JB Pritzker signed into law the Paid Leave for All Workers Act (820 ILCS 192/1 et seq.) (the "Act"); and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Illinois did not make the necessary appropriations or include statutory language exempting the Act from the Illinois State Mandates Act (30 ILCS 805/1 et seq.); and

**WHEREAS**, effective January 1, 2024, the Act requires an employer to provide certain paid leave to their employees, unless the employer is subject to an existing municipal or county ordinance that requires the employer to provide any form of paid leave to their employees; and

**WHEREAS**, the City recognizes the importance of paid leave and currently provides reasonable paid leave benefits to its employees; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has determined that applying the Act to its own employees will negatively impact the City and place an undue financial and operational burden on the City's ability to provide uninterrupted services to its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the City believes and hereby declares that it is in the best interests of the City to clearly define the paid leave benefits that City employees shall receive.

#### NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCHELLE, ILLINOIS:

<u>SECTION ONE</u>: That the City hereby incorporates all of the recitals above into this Ordinance as if fully set forth herein.

<u>SECTION TWO</u>: Pursuant to Section 15(p) of the Act, the City of Rochelle hereby adopts its current paid leave policy for all City employees as set forth in the City's Code of Ordinances, Employee Handbook, and any Annual Salary Ordinances and all other binding legislative actions governing paid leave adopted by the Mayor and City Council, as the same may be amended from

time to time. However, in no event shall the City, as an employer, provide less than one (1) day of paid leave per year to any City employee.

<u>SECTION THREE</u>: If any provision of this Ordinance or application thereof to any person or circumstance is ruled unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid application or provision, and each invalid provision or invalid application of this Ordinance is severable.

<u>SECTION FOUR</u>: Where the conditions imposed by any provisions of this Ordinance are more restrictive than comparable provisions imposed elsewhere in any other local law, ordinance, resolution, rule or regulation, the regulations of this Ordinance will govern.

<u>SECTION FIVE</u>: The City Clerk shall publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form.

<u>SECTION SIX</u>: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

APPROVED THIS 11<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2023

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

#### CERTIFICATE

I, Rose Hueramo, City Clerk of the City of Rochelle, County of Ogle and State of Illinois, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No.\_\_\_\_\_, "AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE ILLINOIS PAID LEAVE FOR ALL WORKERS ACT FOR THE CITY OF ROCHELLE" which was adopted by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochelle on December 11, 2023.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the City of Rochelle this 11<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2023.

CITY CLERK