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Beachwood Hires Matthew A. Kurz as Assistant Law Director/Associate Counsel

BEACHWOOD, Ohio –November 18, 2021– Matthew A. Kurz has been hired as the City of Beachwood’s Assistant Law Director and Associate Counsel.

His first day will be November 29, 2021. Kurz was sworn-in by Law Director L. Stewart Hastings at the Beachwood City Council meeting on November 15, 2021.

“We received more than 50 applications for the position and interviewed about 13 of the applicants. Mr. Kurz stood out from the group. Among his very impressive accomplishments, in addition to being Managing Editor of the *Cleveland-Marshall Journal of Law & Health* and serving as a peer advisor and student mentor, he was selected by his legal writing professor as a tutor to assist other students with their coursework. This showed me the confidence that the law school had in him from an early point.”

As part of his role at the City, Kurz may perform criminal prosecution work, conduct legal research, handle appeals and occasionally appear in court to dispose of cases. He may also provide civil legal counsel to City Council, the mayor, and department directors as well as prepare legal documents and represent the City in legal proceedings.

“It will be my honor to serve the City of Beachwood in a legal capacity and I look forward to applying my education and experience to this new role,” Kurz said.

Kurz was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 2018 and earned his JD degree in 2018 from Cleveland-Marshall College of Law at Cleveland State University. He served as associate attorney for Synenberg & Associates in Cleveland after being promoted from his role as law clerk for that firm. He also worked as a legal extern for the Ohio Attorney General’s Office, Office of Mike DeWine in Cleveland from January – April 2018 and as law clerk for the City of Parma from May 2016 – January 2018. He earned a BA in International Studies from The Ohio State University in June 2010.

About the City of Beachwood, OH

Founded as a village in 1915, the City of Beachwood was incorporated in 1960. Conveniently located along Interstate 271, Beachwood is home to more than 14,000 residents and 2,500 companies. Based on 2020 Census data, Beachwood has grown faster than any other Cuyahoga County municipality and its diversity of residents is more than four times the state average. Beachwood is well-known for its excellent city services, recreation facilities, highly rated

schools and low property taxes. For more information about living and working in Beachwood, visit www.BeachwoodOhio.com.

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