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SPONSOR	Ms. Shapiro			
DATE	September 23, 2019	COMMITTEE	Rules	

A Resolution authorizing the County Executive to execute a settlement agreement and release to settle all claims arising out of or concerning issues raised in a lawsuit, Spencer Neal v. The County of Summit, Case Number 5:18-CV-01424, before Judge Sara Lioi, in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, for the Executive's Department of Law and Risk Management, and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, Spencer Neal filed a complaint against the County of Summit concerning alleged violations of the Americans with Disabilities Act as it applies to the Summit County Parking Deck titled Spencer Neal v. The County of Summit, Case Number 5:18-CV-01424, before Judge Sara Lioi, in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, in consultation with counsel, the Executive has reached the terms of an agreement with Mr. Neal to settle his complaint which involves the payment of an amount not to exceed \$15,000 as well as an agreement that the County will make certain modifications to the Summit County Parking Deck over a period commencing in 2020 and to be completed by August 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS pursuant to the settlement agreement and release, Mr. Neal will dismiss the lawsuit with prejudice and discharge the County from his claims against it; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information, that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit to enter into the settlement agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the County of Summit, State of Ohio, that:

SECTION 1

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The County Executive is authorized to execute a settlement agreement and release for an initial payment in amount not to exceed \$15,000 and an agreement to perform certain modifications to the Summit County Parking Deck to settle all claims arising out of or concerning issues raised in a lawsuit, Spencer Neal v. The County of Summit, Case Number 5:18-CV-01424, before Judge Sara Lioi, in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio ("Lawsuit"). Said settlement agreement shall include a release and discharge of all claims of Spencer Neal against the County of Summit, Ohio.

SECTION 2

This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of health, safety and welfare of the residents of the County of Summit, and for the further reason that it is necessary to spare County tax payers the further expense related to the litigation.

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SECTION 3

Provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of eight members, it shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Executive; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest time provided by law.

SECTION 4

It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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ADOPTED September 23, 2019	
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CLERK OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL	
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Voice Vote YES: 10-0 - Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Hamilton, Koehler, McKenney, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters ABSENT: Wilhite