

1 ORDINANCE NO. 2021-282

First Reading Passage Requested
(D. Matz)

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3 SPONSOR Executive Shapiro

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5 DATE September 20, 2021

COMMITTEE Rules

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7 **An Ordinance amending Section 101.02 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of**
8 **Summit entitled “General Definitions,” to define a signature to include an electronic**
9 **signature, for the Executive’s Department of Law and Risk Management, and declaring an**
10 **emergency.**

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12 WHEREAS, due to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, the County
13 has utilized electronic signatures for some documents to avoid handling of said documents; and

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15 WHEREAS, the County wishes to amend Section 101.02 of the Codified Ordinances of
16 the County of Summit entitled “General Definitions,” to define a signature to include an
17 electronic signature; and

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19 WHEREAS, said amendment will expressly permit electronic signatures of both
20 contracts and legislation: and

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22 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
23 that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit to amend Section 101.02 of
24 Codified Ordinances for the reasons set forth above;

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26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the County of Summit, State
27 of Ohio, that:

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29 SECTION 1

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31 Section 101.02 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Summit entitled “General
32 Definitions,” is hereby amended as set forth on Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated
33 herein by reference.

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35 SECTION 2

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37 This Ordinance is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety, and
38 welfare of the residents of the County of Summit and for the further purpose of immediately
39 amending Section 101.02 to define a signature to include an electronic signature.

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41 SECTION 3

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

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47 SECTION 4

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49 It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating
50 to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all
51 deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action,
52 were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section

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4 SECTION 4 (Continued)


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6 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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9 INTRODUCED September 20, 2021

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11 ADOPTED September 20, 2021

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15 *For* CLERK OF COUNCIL



PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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17 APPROVED September 21, 2021

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21 EXECUTIVE

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23 ENACTED EFFECTIVE September 21, 2021

Voice Vote - YES: 10-0: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio,
McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wilhite
ABSENT: Feeman