

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2011-434

First Reading Passage Requested

(J. Dodson)

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3 SPONSOR Mr. Pry, Mr. Feeman and Ms. Prentice and Council of the Whole

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5 DATE October 24, 2011

COMMITTEE Human Services

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7 **A Resolution supporting County Issue 25, which will approve a 4.5 mill renewal levy for**
8 **County of Summit Developmental Disabilities ("Summit DD") for a six-year period from**
9 **2013 to 2018, and respectfully urging all Summit County voters to vote in favor of Issue 25**
10 **on November 8, 2011, for the Executive and Council, and declaring an emergency.**

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12 WHEREAS, in 2005, Summit County voters approved a 4.5 mill levy request to generate
13 funds for Summit DD which supports services for eligible individuals with developmental
14 disabilities throughout their entire lifetime; and

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16 WHEREAS, the levy approved in 2005 is set to expire on December 31, 2012; and

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18 WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 2011-191, this Council declared it necessary to
19 submit to the voters of the County the question of whether to renew the 4.5 mill levy for an
20 additional six-year period from 2013 to 2018 for Summit DD operations; and

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22 WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 2011-294, this Council placed the question of
23 whether to renew the tax levy for Summit DD before the voters of Summit County at the
24 November 8, 2011 election; and

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26 WHEREAS, the proposed 4.5 mill tax levy for Summit DD is a renewal of an existing
27 tax, and is not a new tax in these difficult economic times; and

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29 WHEREAS, developmental disabilities affect individuals of all economic, social and
30 ethnic groups in our community; and

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32 WHEREAS, Summit DD provides valuable services to our community and to those in
33 need, including but not limited to: coordinating services for 2,259 adults and up to 1,000 school-
34 aged children, early intervention services for 764 children ages 0-2, childcare services for 78
35 children age 3-5, residential services for 1,424 adults, transportation services for 1,770 adults and
36 facility and community based employment and vocational services for 1,760 adults; and

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38 WHEREAS, Summit DD has met or is on target to meet all goals that it established in its
39 current six-year levy cycle regarding service to the community, including no waiting lists for
40 individuals that need services from the agency; and

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42 WHEREAS, the 4.5 mill renewal levy for Summit DD has been placed on the ballot as
43 Issue 25; and

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45 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines that it is necessary and in the best interest
46 of the County to support Issue 25 on the November 8, 2011 ballot, which will approve a 4.5 mill
47 renewal levy for Summit DD, and urging the voters of Summit County to approve Issue 25;

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

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4 SECTION 1

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6 This Council hereby expresses its support of County Issue 25, which will approve a 4.5
7 mill renewal levy for County of Summit Developmental Disabilities ("Summit DD") for a six-
8 year period from 2013 to 2018. Furthermore, this Council respectfully urges all Summit County
9 voters to vote in favor of Issue 25 on November 8, 2011.

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11 SECTION 2

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13 This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency in the interest of the health, safety
14 and welfare of the citizens of the County of Summit and for the further reason that it is necessary
15 to immediately announce the support of this Council prior to the election on November 8, 2011.

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17 SECTION 3

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

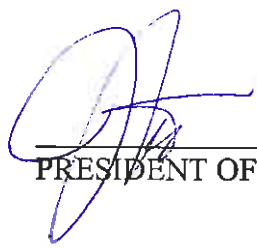
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23 SECTION 4

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


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32 INTRODUCED October 24, 2011

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34 ADOPTED October 24, 2011

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38 CLERK OF COUNCIL


PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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40 APPROVED October 24, 2011

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46 ENACTED EFFECTIVE October 24, 2011

Voice Vote: 8-0 YES: Comunale, Feeman, Kostandaras, Lee, Kurt, Rodgers,
Roemer, Schmidt ABSENT: Crawford, Prentice, Shapiro