

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2017-010

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3 SPONSOR Ms. Shapiro

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5 DATE January 30, 2017 COMMITTEE Planning

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7 **A Resolution authorizing the County Executive to execute a Fuel Fund Grant Program**
8 **Agreement with FirstEnergy Service Company and any other documents necessary for the**
9 **County to act as an agent for the distribution of fuel fund assistance through the 2017 Fuel**
10 **Fund Grant Program to assist low income electric customers, for the period of 1/1/17**
11 **through 12/31/17, for the Executive's Department of Community and Economic**
12 **Development, and declaring an emergency.**

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14 WHEREAS, the Ohio Edison Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company
15 and The Toledo Edison Company have agreed to provide funding, as approved by the Public
16 Utilities Commission of Ohio in Case No. 12-1230-EL-SSO, to implement and support a fuel
17 fund program to provide financial assistance to eligible customers toward payment of their
18 electric bill; and

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20 WHEREAS, County Council previously adopted Resolution No. 2015-097, which
21 authorized the County Executive to execute any documents necessary for the County to act as an
22 agent for the distribution of fuel fund assistance through the 2015-2016 Fuel Fund Grant
23 Program to assist low income electric customers; and

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25 WHEREAS, the County desires to serve as an agent for the distribution of fuel fund
26 assistance through the 2017 Fuel Fund Grant Program established by the aforementioned
27 companies in order to assist low income electric customers with credits from the companies of
28 up to \$300.00 per year toward their electric bill and up to \$500.00 in the case of extreme
29 hardship, which will be exclusively funded by carryover funds from the 2015-2016 Fuel Fund
30 Grant Program; and

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32 WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the County Executive to execute a Fuel Fund
33 Grant Program Agreement with FirstEnergy Service Company and any other documents
34 necessary for the County to act as an agent for the distribution of fuel fund assistance through the
35 2017 Fuel Fund Grant Program, for the period of 1/1/17 through 12/31/17; and

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37 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
38 that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit to authorize the Executive to
39 execute a Fuel Fund Grant Program Agreement with FirstEnergy Service Company and any
40 other documents necessary for the County to act as an agent for the distribution of fuel fund
41 assistance through the 2017 Fuel Fund Grant Program, for the period of 1/1/17 through 12/31/17;

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

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46 SECTION I

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48 The County Executive is hereby authorized to execute a Fuel Fund Grant Program
49 Agreement with FirstEnergy Service Company and any other documents necessary for the
50 County to act as an agent for the distribution of fuel fund assistance through the 2017 Fuel Fund
51 Grant Program to assist low income electric customers, for the period of 1/1/17 through
52 12/31/17. The 2017 Fuel Fund Grant Program will be exclusively funded by carryover funds
53 from the 2015-2016 Fuel Fund Grant Program;

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SECTION 2

This Resolution is declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the County of Summit and for the further purpose of immediately authorizing the Executive to execute a Fuel Fund Grant Program Agreement with FirstEnergy Service Company and any other documents necessary for the County to act as an agent for the distribution of fuel fund assistance through the 2017 Fuel Fund Grant Program to assist low income electric customers, for the period of 1/1/17 through 12/31/17.

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.

INTRODUCED January 9, 2017

ADOPTED January 30, 2017

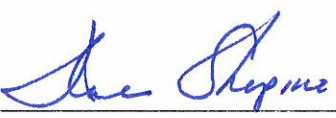


CLERK OF COUNCIL



PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

APPROVED January 31, 2017



EXECUTIVE

ENACTED EFFECTIVE January 31, 2017

Voice Vote: YES 11-0 Crawford, Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Hamilton, Koehler, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite