

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-248

**First Reading Passage Requested**

J. Dodson

SPONSORS Mr. Pry, Mr. Crossland, Ms. Shapiro, Mr. Schmidt, Mr. Poda, Mr. Feeman, Mr. Comunale, Mr. Kostandaras, Mr. Smith and Mr. Crawford

DATE June 15, 2009

COMMITTEE Rules

**A Resolution expressing support for Mayor Don Plusquellic and opposing the recall of Mayor Don Plusquellic on June 23, 2009; and declaring an emergency.**

WHEREAS, petitions have been filed to recall City of Akron Mayor Don Plusquellic, and a recall election has been scheduled for June 23, 2009; and

WHEREAS, during his 23 years as Mayor, Don Plusquellic has worked to make the City of Akron a state and national leader in economic development, job creation and job retention; and

WHEREAS, as Mayor, Don Plusquellic was instrumental in orchestrating the retention of The Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. and Bridgestone-Firestone in the City of Akron and County of Summit, and the thousands of jobs working for each; and

WHEREAS, through Mayor Plusquellic's vision, Akron has been successful in attracting new business from overseas and across our nation and has begun such successful initiatives as the Akron Global Business Accelerator; and

WHEREAS, under Mayor Plusquellic, Akron is becoming a national leader in biomedical research and development and has begun the development of the Biomedical Corridor surrounding downtown Akron; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Plusquellic has championed and collaborated with the University of Akron and the Akron Public Schools to ensure that primary, secondary and post-secondary education, which is critical to a productive society and workforce, is a priority in the City of Akron; and

WHEREAS, under Mayor Plusquellic, Akron's downtown area has been revitalized, and has become a place for recreation for families, university students and young professionals that live in Akron and the rest of the County, including such amenities as Canal Park Stadium and Lock 3 Park; and

WHEREAS, during Don Plusquellic's time as Mayor, the City of Akron has twice been named an All-America City, in 1995 and 2008; and

WHEREAS, for the aforementioned reasons, and the many other accomplishments and successes of Mayor Don Plusquellic and the City of Akron under his leadership, this Council opposes the recall of Mayor Don Plusquellic on June 23, 2009.

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

SECTION 1

This Council hereby expresses its support for Mayor Don Plusquellic and opposes the recall of Mayor Don Plusquellic on June 23, 2009.

SECTION 2

This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the County of Summit, and for the further reason to immediately declare the County's support for Mayor Don Plusquellic prior to the recall election on June 23, 2009.

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.

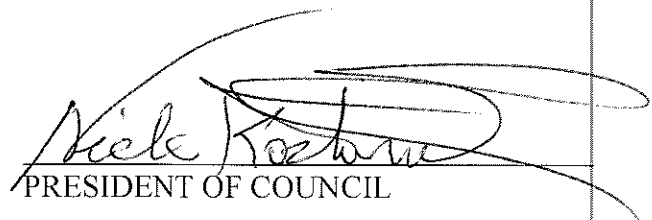
SECTION 4

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 June 15, 2009

ADOPTED June 15, 2009

  
CLERK OF COUNCIL

  
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

APPROVED June 16, 2009

  
EXECUTIVE

ENACTED EFFECTIVE June 16, 2009

Voice Vote: 9-0 YES: Comunale, Crawford, Crossland, Feeman, Kostandaras, Poda, Schmidt, Shapiro, Smith ABSENT: Rodgers & Prentice