

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2017-073 First Reading Passage Requested
2 (D. Hamilton)
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4 SPONSOR Mr. Hamilton, Ms. Shapiro and Council of the Whole
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6 DATE March 6, 2017 COMMITTEE Public Safety
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8 **A Resolution expressing support for Ohio House Bill 132-1 which authorizes dating**
9 **violence protection orders, and urging the Ohio Senate and Governor Kasich to support**
10 **the same, for the Executive and Council, and declaring an emergency.**
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12 WHEREAS, Intimate Partner Violence includes physical violence, sexual violence,
13 stalking and psychological aggression (including coercive tactics) by a current or former intimate
14 partner (as defined by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention); and
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16 WHEREAS, nearly 25 percent of women and 7.6 percent of men have been victims of
17 intimate partner violence and young women between the ages of 16 and 24 experience the
18 highest rates of violence in their relationships of any age group, and
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20 WHEREAS, current Ohio Law regarding Domestic Violence is inadequate to address the
21 true nature of Domestic Violence in Ohio because current Ohio Law excludes victims of dating
22 violence, and Ohio is one of only two U.S. states that do not include victims of dating violence in
23 Domestic Violence; and
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25 WHEREAS, Ohio House Bill 132-1 (HB 1) introduced by Representative Emilia Sykes
26 (D-34) and Representative Nathan Manning (R-55) and has been co-sponsored by 32 Ohio
27 Representatives, and will expand the victims of Domestic Violence to include intimate partners,
28 who are individuals in continuing and significant relationships of a romantic nature with an
29 alleged batterer; and
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31 WHEREAS, HB1 will provide additional protection to Domestic Violence victims of all
32 ages and stronger tools to Ohio Police forces and Courts to protect Domestic Violence victims
33 and adjudicate alleged batterers; and
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35 WHEREAS, HB1 will update Ohio Law to comport with the latest and best strategies to
36 address Domestic Violence and the standards of 48 other U.S. States; now therefore,
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38 WHEREAS, HB1 passed unopposed and in a bipartisan manner in the Ohio House of
39 Representatives on February 28, 2017, and
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41 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
42 that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit to support Ohio House Bill
43 132-1 which authorizes dating violence protection orders, and urge the Ohio Senate and
44 Governor Kasich to do the same.
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46 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Summit, State
47 of Ohio, that:
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Voice Vote: YES 10-0: Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Hamilton, Koehler,
Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite
ABSENT: Crawford

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SECTION 1

This Council hereby expresses support for HBI in an effort to eliminate all forms of intimate partner violence whenever possible and urges the Ohio Senate and Governor Kasich to support the same.

SECTION 2

The Clerk of Council is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to all members of the County of Summit Ohio Senate Delegation and Governor Kasich's Office.

SECTION 3

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 that it allows this Council to express support in a timely manner and before the National Association of Counties' National Conference.

SECTION 4

Provided this Resolution received 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 5

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 March 6, 2017

ADOPTED March 6, 2017

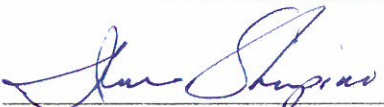


CLERK OF COUNCIL



PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

APPROVED March 7, 2017



EXECUTIVE

ENACTED EFFECTIVE March 7, 2017