

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2017-193

First Reading Passage Requested

(G. Johnson)

2 SPONSORS Ms. Shapiro, Mr. Crawford and Council of the Whole

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4 DATE May 15, 2017

COMMITTEE Committee of the Whole

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7 **A Resolution declaring the month of May 2017 as Mental Health Awareness Month in**
8 **Summit County and encouraging the residents of Summit County to join in this**
9 **acknowledgement for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

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11 WHEREAS, each year millions of Americans face the reality of living with a mental
12 health condition; and

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14 WHEREAS, May has been observed as Mental Health Awareness Month in America
15 since 1949, with the goal of promoting awareness and encouraging dialogue about mental health
16 throughout the Country; and

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18 WHEREAS, increasing the awareness and advocacy for mental health assists in the
19 breakdown of the stigmas attached to mental health diagnosis and encourages those who need
20 help to seek treatment; and

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22 WHEREAS, knowing the signs and symptoms of mental health diagnosis can also assist
23 a person to seek and receive the treatment they need; and

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25 WHEREAS, Summit County Change Direction has already made great strides in
26 assisting with increased awareness in mental health; and

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28 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
29 that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit that May 2017 be declared
30 Mental Health Awareness Month in Summit County and encouraging the residents of Summit
31 County to join in this acknowledgement;

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

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36 SECTION 1

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38 The month of May 2017 is hereby declared Mental Health Awareness Month in Summit
39 County and encouraging the residents of Summit County to join in this acknowledgement.

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41 SECTION 2

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43 This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and
44 welfare of the citizens and employees of the County of Summit and for the further purpose of
45 immediately declaring May 2017 as Mental Health Awareness Month in Summit County to
46 encourage prompt and widespread dialogue about mental health during the month of May.
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4 SECTION 3

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6 Provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of eight (8) members, it shall take
7 effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Executive; otherwise it shall take effect
8 and be in force at the earliest time provided by law.

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10 SECTION 4

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12 It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating
13 to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all
14 deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action,
15 were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section
16 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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19 INTRODUCED May 15, 2017

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21 ADOPTED May 15, 2017

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25 CLERK OF COUNCIL

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

APPROVED May 16, 2017

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EXECUTIVE

ENACTED EFFECTIVE May 16, 2017

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