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		(P. Montgomery)		
SPONSOR N	s. Shapiro			
DATE August 31,	2020	COMMITTEE	Human Services	

A Resolution confirming the award by the Board of Control of an agreement with Community Action Akron Summit to provide utility bill assistance to Summit County residents who are delinquent on their utility bills as a result of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, for the period of 8/1/20 through 12/31/20, in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 in Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funds, and declaring such expenditure necessary due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic has caused a significant impact on the health and wellbeing of the residents of Summit County and has dramatically impacted many residents financially, rendering them unable to afford all of their normal living expenses; and

WHEREAS, this Council previously adopted Resolution No. 2020-216, which authorized the Executive to establish the Summit County CARES Utility Relief Program (the "Program") and authorized a grant to Community Action Akron Summit ("CAAS"), in a total amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00, from funding received under Section 5001 of the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act") to fund the Program with an effective date of July 1, 2020 and ending on December 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Executive wishes to execute an agreement with the CAAS in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00, utilizing TANF funds to provide additional funding to the Program; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Control, at its August 26, 2019 meeting, awarded the aforementioned agreement with Community Action Akron Summit, subject to confirmation by this Council; and

WHEREAS this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information, that the aforementioned agreement with Community Action Akron Summit it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit; and

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

SECTION 1

The award by the Board of Control of an agreement with Community Action Akron Summit to provide utility bill assistance to Summit County residents who are delinquent on their utility bills as a result of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, for the period of 8/1/20 through 12/31/20, in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 utilizing TANF funds, is hereby confirmed and the Executive is hereby authorized to execute such agreement and any other necessary related documents.

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SECTION 2

This Resolution is declared to be an emergency in the interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the County of Summit and for the further reason to immediately authorize the County's financial assistance to Summit County residents who have been adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

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 any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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CLERK OF COUNCIL	PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL
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Voice Vote: YES - 11-0 Dickinson, Donofrio, Feeman, Koehler, McKenney, Prentice, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wilhite