

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2021-201

First Reading Passage Requested

(D. Matz)

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3 SPONSORS Executive Shapiro, Ms. McKenney

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5 DATE June 28, 2021

COMMITTEE Human Services

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7 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute a grant agreement with the Cleveland**
8 **Clinic Foundation on behalf of the Cleveland Clinic Akron General Hospital for a grant, in**
9 **an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00 to establish its Recovery's in Reach Program at its**
10 **emergency departments throughout Summit County for a period from 8/1/21 through**
11 **7/31/22, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

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13 WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution Nos. 2019-332 and 2019-361, this Council
14 authorized the Executive to settle any or all claims, and to execute any corresponding settlement
15 agreements, in litigation titled In re: National Prescription Opiate Litigation, Case No. 1:17-MD-
16 2804, before Judge Dan Aaron Polster in the United States District Court, Northern District of
17 Ohio (the "Lawsuit"), with any manufacturing or distributor Defendant, regardless of market
18 share of the opioid market in Summit County and to additionally authorize settlement with any
19 pharmacy Defendants; and

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21 WHEREAS, the County has received monies as a result of settlement of the Lawsuit; and

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23 WHEREAS, the Executive convened the Key Stakeholders Group and the Opiate
24 Abatement Advisory Council ("OAAC") to help determine how to spend the opiate money to
25 best serve the residents of the County; and

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27 WHEREAS, the OAAC made a Request for Innovation (RFI) available to receive
28 proposals on funding/expanding specialized services available in the local emergency
29 departments to individuals suffering from an overdose; and

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31 WHEREAS, Cleveland Clinic Akron General Hospital responded to that RFI with a
32 proposal to fund the emergency department program it has developed called the Recovery's in
33 Reach Program and intends to operate it out of their emergency departments throughout Summit
34 County and has need of \$1,000,000.00 in order to help fund the program; and

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36 WHEREAS, the OAAC has recommended that a grant be awarded in the amount of
37 \$1,000,000.00 to the Cleveland Clinic Foundation on behalf of the Cleveland Clinic Akron
38 General Hospital to fund the Recovery's in Reach Program; and

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40 WHEREAS, the Key Stakeholders group met on June 8, 2021 to approve the
41 recommendations of the OAAC to fund this program; and

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43 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
44 that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit to authorize the Executive to
45 execute a grant agreement with the Cleveland Clinic Foundation on behalf of Cleveland Clinic
46 Akron General Hospital, for the aforementioned grant, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00
47 from settlement dollars received by the County in the Lawsuit;

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

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4 SECTION 1

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6 The Executive is hereby authorized to execute a grant agreement with the Cleveland
7 Clinic Foundation, for a grant, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00 to help fund the
8 Cleveland Clinic Akron General Hospital Recovery's in Reach Program for the period from
9 8/1/21 through 7/31/22 using funds from the settlements received in litigation titled In re:
10 National Prescription Opiate Litigation, Case No. 1:17-MD-2804, before Judge Dan Aaron
11 Polster in the United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio.

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13 SECTION 2

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15 This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and
16 welfare of the residents of the County of Summit, and for the further reason that the County
17 wishes to immediately provide support to the Cleveland Clinic Akron General Hospital
18 Recovery's in Reach Program.

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20 SECTION 3

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

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26 SECTION 4

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28 It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating
29 to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all
30 deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action,
31 were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section
32 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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35 INTRODUCED June 28, 2021

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37 ADOPTED June 28, 2021

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41 CLERK OF COUNCIL

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49 APPROVED June 30, 2021

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51 EXECUTIVE

52 ENACTED EFFECTIVE June 30, 2021

Voice Vote - YES: 11-0: Darrow, DeVitis, Dickinson, Donofrio,
Feeman, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt, Sims, Walters, Wilhite