RESOLUTION NO. 2022-046

SPONSOR Executive Shapiro & Council as a Whole

DATE February 28, 2022

COMMITTEE Human Services

A Resolution declaring the month of March 2022 as Women’s History Month in Summit County, recognizing the women of America, the achievements they have made, and the struggles they have faced and continue to face today, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, President Carter initially proclaimed Women’s History Week as the first week of March, and the United States Congress passed Pub. L. 97-28 in 1981, which proclaimed the week of March 7th as Women’s History Week; and

WHEREAS, the National Women’s History Project petitioned Congress in 1987, resulting in the passage of Pub. L. 100-9, which proclaimed the month of March as Women’s History Month; and

WHEREAS, Presidents Reagan, H. W. Bush, Clinton, W. Bush, Obama, Trump, and Biden have since recognized and proclaimed the month of March as Women’s History Month; and

WHEREAS, Women’s History Month honors the achievements of all women throughout the history of the United States, especially those accomplishments that advanced women’s rights, such as, the right to vote and the right to own property; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the 102nd anniversary of the passing of the 19th Amendment, which gave women the right to vote; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the 57th anniversary of the passing of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, before which Black women were largely disenfranchised; and

WHEREAS, these advancements were made possible by the millions of women who mobilized under the banners of women’s rights and equality to amend the U.S. Constitution, as well as transform our society; and

WHEREAS, it is important that our community reflect on the past and current struggle for the equality of all women, especially women of color, while celebrating the progress made over our history; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information, that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit that March 2022 be declared Women’s History Month in Summit County, and encouraging the residents of Summit County to join in this acknowledgement;

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

SECTION 1

The month of March 2022 is hereby declared Women’s History Month in Summit County, and the residents of Summit County are encouraged to join in this acknowledgement.
SECTION 2

This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and welfare of the residents and employees of the County of Summit and for the further purpose of immediately declaring March 2022 as Women’s History Month in Summit County.

SECTION 3

Provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of eight (8) 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 _______ February 28, 2022 _______

ADOPTED _______ February 28, 2022 _______

CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED _______ February 28, 2022 _______

EXECUTIVE

ENACTED EFFECTIVE _______ March 3, 2022 _______

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