

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2022-240

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3 SPONSOR Executive Shapiro & Ms. Walters & Council as a Whole

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5 DATE August 15, 2022 COMMITTEE Human Services

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7 **A Resolution declaring the month of September 2022 as Recovery Month in Summit County**
8 **and encouraging the residents of Summit County to join in this acknowledgment, for the**
9 **Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

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11 WHEREAS, each September the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services through
12 the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) sponsors Recovery
13 Month to increase awareness and understanding of mental health and substance use disorders and
14 celebrate those who are recovering; and

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16 WHEREAS, Recovery Month promotes the societal benefits of prevention, treatment, and
17 recovery for mental health and substance use disorders, celebrates people in recovery, commends
18 the contributions of treatment and service providers, and promotes the message that recovery in
19 all its forms is possible; and

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21 WHEREAS, in Summit County, we recognize the positive message spread by Recovery
22 Month, that behavioral health is essential to overall health, that prevention works, that treatment
23 is effective, and that people can and do recover, and that this is a message that should be
24 emphasized throughout Summit County; and

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26 WHEREAS, we encourage loved ones of people with mental health and substance use
27 disorders to implement preventative measures, recognize the signs of a problem, and guide those
28 in need of appropriate treatment and recovery services; and

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30 WHEREAS, we recognize that substance use, especially substance use involving opioids,
31 remains a serious public health problem in Summit County and that treatment and support must be
32 available to those who have a substance use disorder; and

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34 WHEREAS, the County of Summit is committed to promoting prevention, treatment, and
35 recovery for those living with mental health and substance use disorders and celebrating those in
36 recovery as well as the efforts and contributions of treatment providers; and

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38 WHEREAS, the Opiate Abatement Advisory Council is one such vehicle through which
39 prevention, treatment, and recovery are advanced in Summit County by providing funding to
40 organizations large and small that support our communities and residents in promoting prevention,
41 supporting treatment and encouraging recovery; and

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43 WHEREAS, the Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Services (ADM) Board is
44 another organization through which prevention, treatment, and recovery are advanced, offering
45 essential information, programming, and services to communities and residents; and

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47 WHEREAS, these entities and others like them that are dedicated to assisting those dealing
48 with mental health and substance abuse disorders are critical partners in building a County that
49 accepts and supports people at every point on the path of recovery; and

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4 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
5 that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit to declare the month of
6 September 2022 as Recovery Month in Summit County and to encourage the residents of Summit
7 County to join in this acknowledgement;

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

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12 SECTION 1

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14 The month of September 2022 is hereby declared Recovery Month in Summit County and
15 the residents of Summit County are hereby encouraged to join in this acknowledgement.

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17 SECTION 2

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19 The resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety, and
20 welfare of the residents of the County of Summit, and further to immediately declare September
21 2022 as Recovery Month in Summit County prior to the commencement of the month.

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23 SECTION 3

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

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29 SECTION 4

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

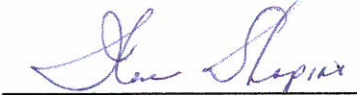
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38 INTRODUCED August 1, 2022

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40 ADOPTED August 15, 2022

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44 CLERK OF COUNCIL


45 PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

46 APPROVED August 16, 2022

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50 EXECUTIVE

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

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52 ENACTED EFFECTIVE August 16, 2022