

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2022-251

First Reading Passage Requested
(D. Miller Dawson)

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3 SPONSOR Executive Shapiro

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5 DATE August 29, 2022

COMMITTEE: Planning

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7 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute a Foreign Trade Zone Operator**
8 **agreement with Jo-Ann Stores, LLC, located in the City of Hudson, in Council District 3,**
9 **for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

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11 WHEREAS, the Northeast Ohio Joint Office of Economic Development of the Counties
12 of Richland, Stark and Summit ("JOED") was awarded a grant of authority by the United States
13 Foreign Trade Zones Board (hereinafter called the "Board") for the authority to establish, operate
14 and maintain a Foreign Trade Zone in the FTZSP region known as Foreign Trade Zone 181; and

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16 WHEREAS, on April 1, 2019, the JOED entered into an Agreement for Services (the
17 "Agreement") with the Executive for the County of Summit Department of Community and
18 Economic Development to provide services to the JOED in furtherance of its purposes under the
19 Foreign Trade Zone regulations, thus transferring the daily operations of its Foreign Trade Zone
20 and the obligations and responsibilities under its Grant to the County; and

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22 WHEREAS, under the Agreement, the County has the authority to transfer responsibility
23 for the management of a location as a Foreign Trade Zone to an operator by agreement
24 ("Operator Agreement"); and

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26 WHEREAS, Jo-Ann Stores, LLC (hereinafter "Operator") wishes to enter into an
27 Operator Agreement with the County to operate and manage its location at 5555 Darrow Road,
28 Hudson, Ohio, in Council District 3 as Foreign Trade Zone consistent with all applicable rules
29 and regulations attendant thereto; and

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31 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, by reviewing all pertinent information,
32 that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit to authorize the Executive to
33 execute the aforementioned Operator Agreement with the Operator;

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

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38 SECTION 1

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40 The Executive is hereby authorized to execute a Foreign Trade Zone Operator Agreement
41 with Jo-Ann Stores, LLC ("Operator") to operate its location at 5555 Darrow Road, Hudson,
42 Ohio, in Council District 3, as Foreign Trade Zone consistent with all applicable rules and
43 regulations attendant thereto.

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45 SECTION 2

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47 This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and
48 welfare of the residents of the County of Summit, and for the further reason that it immediately
49 enables the Executive to execute an Operator Agreement with Jo-Ann Stores, LLC.

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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 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 August 29, 2022

ADOPTED August 29, 2022


CLERK OF COUNCIL


PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

APPROVED August 30, 2022


EXECUTIVE

August 30, 2022
ENACTED EFFECTIVE

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