

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2024-181

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

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5 DATE June 3, 2024 COMMITTEE Human Services

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7 **A Resolution declaring the month of August 2024 as Child Support Awareness Month in**
8 **Summit County, recognizing that child support is crucial to keeping children and families**
9 **healthy and strong and encouraging the residents of Summit County to join in this**
10 **acknowledgement and to wear green on Wednesday, August 7, 2024, for the Prosecutor and**
11 **the Executive, and declaring an emergency.**

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13 WHEREAS, keeping children and families out of poverty is essential to ensuring children
14 grow up safe and healthy; and

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16 WHEREAS, providing financial support to children and families involves ongoing
17 partnerships between county, state, and federal agencies, legislators, judges, parents, health care
18 professionals, advocacy groups, employers, and many others; and

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20 WHEREAS, the County of Summit Child Support Enforcement Agency is a key partner in
21 providing financial support to children and families; and

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23 WHEREAS, the County of Summit Child Support Enforcement Agency collects more than
24 \$67 million annually and serves over 46,000 children; and

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26 WHEREAS, 1 in 3 children are impacted by the child support program, making the agency
27 second only to the public education system in scope; and

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29 WHEREAS, on August 7, 2024 people across the country are encouraged to “Wear Green”
30 in recognition of Child Support Awareness Month; and

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32 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
33 that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit that August 2024 be declared
34 Child Support Awareness Month in Summit County, recognizing that child support is crucial to
35 keeping children and families healthy and strong and encouraging the residents of Summit County
36 to join in this acknowledgement and to wear green on Wednesday, August 7, 2024;

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

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41 SECTION 1

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43 The month of August 2024 is hereby declared Child Support Awareness Month in Summit
44 County and encouraging the residents of Summit County to join in this acknowledgement.

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46 SECTION 2

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48 This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and
49 welfare of the residents and employees of the County of Summit and for the further purpose of
50 immediately declaring August 2024 as Child Support Awareness Month in Summit County.

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4 SECTION 3

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

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10 SECTION 4

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

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19 INTRODUCED June 3, 2024

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22 ADOPTED June 17, 2024

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DocuSigned by:
Monique Willis
CLERK OF COUNCIL

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Rita S. Darrow
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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28 APPROVED June 17, 2024

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Jane Shapiro
EXECUTIVE

Voice Vote – YES: 10 – 0: Darrow, Dickinson,
Donofrio, Ford, McKenney, Rodgers, Schmidt,
Walters, Wiedie Higham, Wilhite
Absent: DeVitis

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32 ENACTED EFFECTIVE June 18, 2024

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