

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2025-008

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3 SPONSOR Executive Shapiro

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5 DATE January 6, 2025 COMMITTEE Planning

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7 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive to execute a lease agreement with Torchbearers, an**
8 **Ohio non-profit corporation, for educational and/or charitable use, for the Executive, and**
9 **declaring an emergency.**

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11 WHEREAS, the County of Summit owns local real property located at 175 South Main
12 Street, Akron, Ohio 44308, in Council District 4; and

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14 WHEREAS, Torchbearers, an Ohio non-profit corporation, offers its members
15 opportunities to serve Greater Akron through volunteering, collaboration and investing in the
16 area’s development; and

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18 WHEREAS, this Council previously adopted Resolution 2019-301 which authorized the
19 County Executive to execute a 5-year lease agreement for the lease of a portion of the building at
20 said address to Torchbearers; and

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22 WHEREAS, the Executive wishes to lease County-owned real property to Torchbearers
23 upon such terms and conditions as set forth in Exhibit A, attached to this Resolution and
24 incorporated herein, for a lease to extend until May 31, 2029, where the non-profit corporation
25 Artsnow and Torchbearers will share office space on the first floor of 175 South Main St.; and

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27 WHEREAS, Artsnow has a lease that extends until May 31, 2029 and has or is in the
28 process of executing an amendment to share the space with Torchbearers; and

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30 WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 177.17(e) of the Codified Ordinances of the County of
31 Summit, approval by the Board of Control is not required and only the approval of this Council
32 is necessary for the Executive to execute the proposed lease agreement because the lessee is a
33 non-profit corporation that will lease the space for educational and/or charitable purposes; and

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35 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
36 that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit to authorize the Executive to
37 execute a lease agreement with Torchbearers as set forth in Exhibit A;

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

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42 SECTION 1

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44 The Executive is hereby authorized to execute a lease agreement with Torchbearers upon
45 such terms and conditions that are substantially similar to those set forth in Exhibit A, attached to
46 this Resolution and incorporated herein as if fully restated with any revisions or amendments not
47 substantially adverse to the County.

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4 SECTION 2

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6 This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and
7 welfare of the residents of Summit County, and for the further reason to immediately authorize
8 necessary leases with local non-profit corporations for the benefit of Summit County residents.

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10 SECTION 3

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

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16 SECTION 4

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18 It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating
19 to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all
20 deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action,
21 were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section
22 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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25 INTRODUCED January 6, 2025

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27 ADOPTED January 27, 2025

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Signed by:


CLERK OF COUNCIL
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33 APPROVED January 27, 2025

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EXECUTIVE
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39 ENACTED EFFECTIVE January 28, 2025

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL
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Voice Vote – YES: 11 – 0: Darrow, Dickinson,
Donofrio, Ford, Higham, Kacyon, Licate,
McKenney, Schmidt, Walters, Wilhite