

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-304

SPONSOR Executive Shapiro

DATE October 27, 2025 COMMITTEE Human Services

A Resolution approving a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to address child abuse and neglect investigations, as required by O.R.C. Section 2151, between Summit County Children Services, all Municipal Police Departments, and the County of Summit, including the Executive's Department of Job & Family Services, the Sheriff's Office, the Prosecutor's Office, the Juvenile Court, and authorizing the Executive to execute the MOU and other necessary documents, and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, sections 2151.4220, 2151.4221, 2151.4222, 2151.4225, 2151.4226, 2151.4230, and 2151.4234 of the Ohio Revised Code and section 5180:2-33-26 of the Ohio Administrative Code require various County agencies to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to address child abuse and neglect investigations; and

WHEREAS, said MOU is an agreement between community partners to coordinate screening, assessment and investigation, and service provision for child abuse and neglect investigations and to outline the roles and responsibilities of each participating agency; and

WHEREAS, the MOU is signed bi-annually by the parties, including the County of Summit, Summit County Children Services, and all Municipal Police Departments; and

WHEREAS, in 2022 the Ohio General Assembly amended section 2151 to include 2151.4222 and 2151.4225 which require that the MOU be submitted to the Board of County Commissioners for approval, therefore requiring approval by this Council and the Executive; and

WHEREAS, after all parties have signed said MOU, the County is required to post a copy on the general county website, and the MOU will be effective the date of posting; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information, that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County to approve the above referenced Memorandum of Understanding;

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

SECTION 1

The County hereby approves the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the County of Summit and various community partners and authorizes the Executive to execute the MOU and any other necessary documents required to finalize the MOU.

SECTION 2

This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the County of Summit and for the further reason of immediately authorizing the MOU to address child abuse and neglect investigation and to post the finalized MOU on the County's website as required by the Ohio Revised Code.

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4 SECTION 3

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6 Provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of eight members, it shall take
7 effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Executive; otherwise, it shall take
8 effect 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,
15 were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section
16 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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19 INTRODUCED October 27, 2025

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21 ADOPTED November 10, 2025

22 Signed by:

23 Monique Willis

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25 CLERK OF COUNCIL

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Rita J. Darrow

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27 PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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29 APPROVED November 10, 2025

30 Signed by:

31 Gene Shapiro

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33 EXECUTIVE

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

ENACTED EFFECTIVE November 12, 2025