

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2025-364

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3 SPONSOR Executive Shapiro

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5 DATE December 8, 2025 COMMITTEE Finance

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7 **A Resolution approving and adopting the Summit County Cybersecurity Policy and**  
8 **confirming the applicability of confidentiality provisions under Section 9.64(E) of the Ohio**  
9 **Revised Code, for the Office of Information Technology, and declaring an emergency.**

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11 WHEREAS, Section 9.64(C) of the Ohio Revised Code (“R.C.”), enacted by House Bill  
12 96 (136<sup>th</sup> G.A.), requires the adoption of a cybersecurity program by the legislative authority of  
13 each political subdivision, with the deadline established by the Auditor of State for Counties to  
14 adopt the plan being January 1, 2026; and

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16 WHEREAS, in accordance with R.C. Section 9.64(C), this Council, as the legislative  
17 authority of the County of Summit, must adopt the cybersecurity program; and

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19 WHEREAS, the purpose of this requirement is to strengthen protections of public data,  
20 information systems, and technology resources from cybersecurity threats and risks; and

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22 WHEREAS, the County of Summit maintains critical information systems supporting  
23 essential operations across County departments, including public safety, emergency  
24 management, finance, and communications and recognizes the importance of safeguarding  
25 sensitive and confidential information entrusted to the County of Summit; and

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27 WHEREAS, the Office of Information Technology has prepared a Cybersecurity Policy  
28 (the “Policy”), attached hereto as Exhibit A, to satisfy the requirements of adopting a  
29 cybersecurity program, and recommends its adoption; and

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31 WHEREAS, pursuant to R.C. Section 9.64(E), any records, documents, or reports related  
32 to the cybersecurity program and framework are not public records under R.C. Section 149.43;  
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35 WHEREAS, the Executive’s Department of Law and Risk Management has reviewed the  
36 proposed Policy and confirmed that related records, including the policy presented in Exhibit A,  
37 qualify for exemption from public disclosure under R.C. Section 9.64(E); and

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39 WHEREAS, the Information Technology Board, at its meeting held on December 4,  
40 2025, approved the Policy and recommended its approval by this Council; and

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42 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,  
43 that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit to approve and adopt the  
44 Summit County Cybersecurity Policy:

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

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4 SECTION 1

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6 This Council hereby approves and adopts the Summit County Cybersecurity Policy,  
7 attached hereto as Exhibit A, in accordance with the requirement outlined in Section 9.64 of the  
8 Ohio Revised Code ("R.C.") to adopt a cybersecurity program.

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10 SECTION 2

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12 The details of the Summit County Cybersecurity Policy, including the Policy attached  
13 hereto as Exhibit A, are exempt from public disclosure under R.C. Section 9.64(C).

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15 SECTION 3

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17 This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and  
18 welfare of the residents of the County of Summit, and for the further reason to immediately  
19 approve the Policy ahead of the January 1, 2026 deadline as set by the Auditor of State.

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21 SECTION 4

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

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27 SECTION 5

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

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36 INTRODUCED December 8, 2025

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL