

1 SRESOLUTION NO. 2026-036

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3 SPONSOR Executive Shapiro

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5 DATE February 9, 2026 COMMITTEE Public Safety

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7 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive, on behalf of the Sheriff, to execute Special**
8 **Weapons and Tactics (“SWAT”) Team Mutual Aid Agreement with the Summa Health**
9 **Police Department and the City of Akron, as authorized by section 5502.41 of the Ohio**
10 **Revised Code, for the Executive and Sheriff, and declaring an emergency.**

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12 WHEREAS, Section 1702.80 of the Ohio Revised Code (“RC”) authorizes hospitals,
13 such as Summa Health (“Summa”), to establish police departments to provide police services,
14 and pursuant to RC Section 4973.17(D)(2)(b), Summa has entered into a written agreement with
15 the Akron Chief of Police in which Summa officers may exercise police powers within Summa
16 medical buildings and adjacent streets, and this agreement also allows Summa officers to
17 exercise their police powers outside the limited areas “when they are participating in a
18 cooperative enforcement effort” approved by the Akron Chief and Summa Chief; and

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20 WHEREAS, in the interests of public safety throughout the County, the Executive, on
21 behalf of the Sheriff, has entered into Special Weapons and Tactics (“SWAT”) Team Mutual Aid
22 Agreements with the City of Akron, as authorized by Resolution No. 2025-100, the University of
23 Akron and Summit MetroParks, as authorized by Resolution No. 2025-251, the City of
24 Tallmadge, as authorized by Resolution No. 2022-159, the Village of Lakemore, as authorized
25 by Resolution No. 2018-089 the Village of Mogadore, as authorized by Resolution No. 2015-
26 077; and

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28 WHEREAS, RC Section 5502.41(G)(1)(b) allows a private company to participate in a
29 mutual aid agreement if the political subdivision approves the participation; and

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31 WHEREAS, the County wishes to execute SWAT Team Unit Mutual Aid Agreement
32 with the duly authorized Summa hospital police department with the consent of the City of
33 Akron and its Chief of Police, with the form of the agreement being similar to Exhibit A attached
34 hereto and incorporated herein; and

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36 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
37 that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit to authorize the Executive to
38 execute a SWAT Team Mutual Aid Agreement with Summa and its police department, with the
39 consent of the City of Akron and its Chief of Police as authorized RC Sections 4973.17 and
40 5502.41;

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

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4 SECTION 1

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6 The Executive is hereby authorized to execute a Special Weapons and Tactics (“SWAT”)
7 Team Mutual Aid agreement with Summa and its police department, with the consent of the City
8 of Akron and its Chief of Police, in substantially the same form as Exhibit A attached hereto
9 along with any necessary documents relating thereto as authorized by Sections 4973.17 and
10 5502.41 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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12 SECTION 2

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14 This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and
15 welfare of the residents of the County of Summit and for the further reason to immediately
16 authorize the Executive to execute said mutual aid agreement with various Summit County law
17 enforcement entities for specialized SWAT Team services.

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19 SECTION 3

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

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25 SECTION 4

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

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34 INTRODUCED February 9, 2026

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CLERK OF COUNCIL

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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