

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2026-038

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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 to sign intergovernmental agreements with the**
8 **cities of Akron, Cuyahoga Falls, New Franklin, Stow, Tallmadge, and Twinsburg as well**
9 **as the Village of Norton and Copley Township for direct indictment services to be**
10 **provided by the Prosecutor, for a two-year term, from 1/1/26 through 12/31/26, with four**
11 **one-year renewals at the amounts set forth below, for the Prosecutor, and declaring an**
12 **emergency.**

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14 WHEREAS, the Prosecutor has operated the Direct Indictment Program since 1998
15 which enables him to bring criminal cases to Grand Jury without the necessity of the
16 preliminary hearing process in the municipal court, thus enabling criminal defendants to have
17 resolution of their cases on a timelier basis; and

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19 WHEREAS, the Prosecutor has agreements with the cities of Akron, Cuyahoga Falls,
20 New Franklin, Stow, Tallmadge, and Twinsburg as well as the Village of Norton, and Copley
21 Township for direct indictment services and those agreements have expired and need to be
22 renewed; and

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24 WHEREAS, Matrix, a computer program, is utilized by the Prosecutor, cities, village
25 and township and the data from this program has been used to determine a fair cost to be
26 charged to each participating subdivision; and

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28 WHEREAS, each political subdivision will pay a base rate of \$75.00 per complete case
29 presented to the Grand Jury, and additional fees of \$30.00 to \$60.00 will be levied for late
30 and/or incomplete cases, and a yearly 3% cost of living adjustment; and

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32 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all of the pertinent
33 information, that it is necessary, and in the best interest of this County, to authorize the
34 Executive to sign the aforementioned intergovernmental agreements for direct indictment
35 services to be provided by the Prosecutor;

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

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40 SECTION 1

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42 The based on the above-described rates, the amounts to be charged to each political
43 subdivision participating in the Direct Indictment Program shall not exceed the amounts set
44 forth below:

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Akron	\$ 386,800.00
Copley	\$10,400.00
Cuyahoga Falls	\$36,100.00
New Franklin	\$4,600.00
Norton	\$6,800.00
Stow	\$18,800.00

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4 SECTION 1 (Continued)

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Tallmadge	\$17,900.00
Twinsburg	\$10,000.00

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7 SECTION 2

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9 The Executive is hereby authorized to execute intergovernmental agreements for Direct
10 Indictment Services to be provided by the Prosecutor to the above mentioned political
11 subdivisions already participating at the rates set forth for the period from 1/1/26 to 12/31/26,
12 with four one-year options to renew at the rates set forth above.

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14 SECTION 3

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16 This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency, in the interest of the health, safety and
17 welfare of the residents of the County of Summit, and for the further reason to immediately
18 authorize the Executive to execute intergovernmental agreements for Direct Indictment Services
19 to be provided by the Prosecutor to the above mentioned political subdivisions.

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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, which resulted in such formal action,
32 were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including
33 Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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36 INTRODUCED February 9, 2026

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL