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4 CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO

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6 RESOLUTION NO. 26 - 2012

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9 A RESOLUTION URGING THE CITY OF AKRON TO
10 REFRAIN FROM REMOVING THE EXISTING TRAFFIC
11 SIGNALS ON BATH ROAD AT RIVERVIEW ROAD AND
12 ON BATH ROAD AT AKRON-PENINSULA ROAD, IN
13 THE CITY OF AKRON, AND DECLARING AN
14 EMERGENCY.
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16 WHEREAS, Bath Road, Akron-Peninsula Road, and Riverview Road are
17 regional connector roadways that serve motorists from many Summit County
18 communities, including residents of Akron and Cuyahoga Falls; and
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20 WHEREAS, the City of Akron has recently begun an evaluation of all of its
21 traffic signals including those located at Bath Road and Riverview Road, as well as
22 at Bath Road and Akron-Peninsula Road, which are intersections directly adjacent
23 to residential areas of Cuyahoga Falls; and
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25 WHEREAS, the City of Akron has determined that the traffic volumes at the
26 intersections of Bath Road/Akron-Peninsula Road and Bath Road/Riverview Road,
27 are lower than normal for traffic signalization; and
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29 WHEREAS, in making the aforementioned determination, the City of Akron
30 did not engage the affected residents of Akron or Cuyahoga Falls in any dialog
31 concerning the need for traffic signals at these intersections, or the potential
32 consequences of removal of these signals; and
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34 WHEREAS, the failure to engage residents in dialog has resulted in
35 confusion and concern about potential increased safety risks for motorists
36 encountering these intersections; and
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38 WHEREAS, it is critical that the application of the Ohio Manual of Uniform
39 Traffic Control Devices to this process be discussed with the affected residents
40 before a traffic signal is removed,
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42 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Cuyahoga
43 Falls, County of Summit and State of Ohio, that:
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45 Section 1. This Council urges the City of Akron to refrain from removing the
46 traffic signals now located on Bath Road at Riverview Road, and on Bath Road at
47 Akron-Peninsula Road, until an adequate dialog with affected residents in
48 Cuyahoga Falls has been implemented for the purpose of explaining the traffic

49 signal warrant process, and to prepare residents and motorists for the potential
50 changes to traffic patterns at these intersections.

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52 Section 2. The Clerk of Council is authorized and directed to send a certified
53 copy of this Resolution to Akron Mayor Donald L. Plusquellic, City Engineer Ralph
54 Coletta, P.E., Council President Garry Moneypenny and Ward 1 Council
55 Representative James P. Hurley III.

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57 Section 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council
58 concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open
59 meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its
60 committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the
61 public, in compliance with all legal requirements, to the extent applicable,
62 including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances.

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64 Section 4. This resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure
65 necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and
66 welfare of the City of Cuyahoga Falls and the inhabitants thereof, and provided it
67 received the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members elected or appointed to
68 Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and
69 approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest
70 period allowed by law.

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73 Passed: 12/27/12

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