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RESOLUTION NO. 8

- 2017

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING COUNTY ISSUE 3, WHICH WILL APPROVE A 4.5 MILL RENEWAL LEVY FOR COUNTY OF SUMMIT DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ("SUMMIT DD") FOR A SIX-YEAR PERIOD FROM 2019 TO 2024, AND RESPECTFULLY URGING ALL SUMMIT COUNTY VOTERS TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF ISSUE 3 AT THE NOVEMBER 7. 2017 GENERAL ELECTION, AND DECLARING EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, in 2005, Summit County voters approved a 4.5 mill levy request to generate funds for Summit DD which supports services for eligible individuals with developmental disabilities throughout their entire lifetime; and

WHEREAS, the levy approved in 2011 is set to expire on December 31, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the proposed 4.5 mill tax levy for Summit DD is a renewal of an existing tax, and is not a new tax in these difficult economic times; and

WHEREAS, developmental disabilities affect individuals of all economic, social and ethnic groups in our community; and

WHEREAS, Summit DD provides valuable services to the community and to those in need, including but not limited to, provided 2,060 adults with facility and communitybased day programs, 1,776 adults with residential support, 1,000 children with early intervention services and 1,000 children and teens with service coordination; with a total number of 5,528 individuals supported by Summit DD programming; and

WHEREAS, the 4.5 mill renewal levy for Summit DD has been placed on the ballot as Issue 3; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines that it is necessary and in the best interest of the City to support Issue 3 at the November 7, 2017 General Election, which will approve a 4.5 mill renewal levy for Summit DD, and urging the voters of Cuyahoga Falls to approve Issue 3.

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

Section 1. This Council hereby expresses its support of County Issue 3, which will approve a 4.5 mill renewal levy for County of Summit Developmental Disabilities ("Summit DD") for a six year period from 2019 to 2024. Furthermore, this Council respectfully urges all Cuyahoga Falls voters to vote in favor of Issue 3 at the November 7, 2017 General Election.

Section 2. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances.

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<u>Section 3</u>. This resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and welfare of the City of Cuyahoga Falls and the inhabitants thereof and provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members elected or appointed to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: 10-33-17 May Ellin Tyke
President of Council

Clerk of Council

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Mayor