

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2018-335

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3 SPONSORS Ms. Shapiro, Mr. Schmidt, Ms. Prentice, Mr. Wilhite, Mr. Hamilton,
4 Mr. Feeman, Mr. Soyars, Mr. Soyars, Mr. Donofrio, Ms. Walters, Mr. Dickinson

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6 DATE _____ COMMITTEE Human Services

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8 **A Resolution to express opposition to proposed changes in federal regulations governing**
9 **the Title X National Family Planning Program and to express support for access to**
10 **comprehensive family planning and related preventive health services for all individuals,**
11 **regardless of income or resources, for the Executive and Council, and declaring an**
12 **emergency.**

13 WHEREAS, Title X of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300 et seq.) was enacted
14 in 1970 to provide funds and ensure access to comprehensive family planning and related
15 preventive health services for low-income or uninsured individuals, among others; and
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17 WHEREAS, the Title X program helps to ensure that every person – regardless of where
18 they live, how much money they make, what their background is, or whether or not they have
19 health insurance – has access to basic, preventative reproductive health care, such as birth
20 control, cancer screenings, STD testing and treatment, and annual health exams; and
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22 WHEREAS, in the Akron area, Title X family planning providers served approximately
23 7,700 family planning patients in 2017, providing 3,267 pregnancy tests, 2,675 HIV tests, 724
24 cancer screenings, and 17,065 sexually transmitted infection tests and treatment; and
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26 WHEREAS, The United States Secretary of Health and Human Services issued a Notice
27 of Proposed Rulemaking on June 1, 2018, that is designed to make it impossible for millions of
28 patients to get birth control and preventative care from some Title X funded family planning
29 providers because those providers provide the full spectrum of legal family planning services,
30 and counsel patients about those services; and
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32 WHEREAS, The Kaiser Family Foundation has stated that efforts to block family
33 planning providers from receiving Title X funds because they provide the full spectrum of legal
34 family planning services, and counsel patients about them, could reduce low-income women's
35 and teenagers' access to contraceptives and health screenings; and
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37 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,
38 that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County to oppose proposed changes in federal
39 regulations governing the Title X National Family Planning Program and to express support for
40 access to comprehensive family planning and related preventive health services for all
41 individuals, regardless of income or resources.
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43 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the County of Summit,
44 State of Ohio, that:
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5 SECTION 1

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7 This Council hereby expresses strong opposition to the aforementioned proposed changes
8 in federal regulations governing the Title X National Family Planning Program and further
9 expresses its support for access to comprehensive family planning and related preventive health
10 services for all individuals, regardless of income or resources.

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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 express this Council's opposition to the proposed Title X National Family Planning Program
17 proposed rule change prior to further action by the Department of Health and Human 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 effect
23 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 any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in
30 meetings open to the public, in compliance with legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of
31 the Ohio Revised Code.

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33 INTRODUCED August 20, 2018

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39 CLERK OF COUNCIL

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