## County Council of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

## Resolution No. R2023-0014

Sponsored by: County Executive Ronayne/Department of Health and Human Services/Division of Children and Family Services

Co-sponsored by: Councilmember Turner

A Resolution authorizing to adopt the Child Neglect Memorandum of Abuse Understanding with Cuyahoga County Law Enforcement Agencies and Entities: authorizing the County Executive to execute the Memorandum of Understanding and all documents other consistent with Resolution; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

WHEREAS, the County Executive/ Department of Health and Human Services/Division of Children and Family Services recommend adopting the Child Abuse and Neglect Memorandum of Understanding with Cuyahoga County Law Enforcement Agencies and Entities; and

WHEREAS, the primary goal of this project is to (1) ensure the prompt reporting of all incidents of suspected child abuse and/or neglect, including human trafficking, (2) conduct comprehensive and coordinated investigations of suspected child abuse or neglect including human trafficking, and (3) provide, when feasible, for only one interview of a child who is the subject of a report of child abuse or neglect; and

WHEREAS, the project is authorized and mandated by R.C. 103.131. Specifically, R.C. 2151.4210 to 2151.4224 in the act as passed and presented to the Governor are re-codified as R.C. 2151.4220 to 2151.4234; and

WHEREAS, County Council has determined that entering into the proposed Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement is in the best interest of the County; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective in order that critical services provided by Cuyahoga County can continue and to provide for the usual, daily operation of a County entity.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO:

**SECTION 1.** That the Cuyahoga County Council hereby authorizes the adoption the Child Abuse and Neglect Memorandum of Understanding with Cuyahoga County Law Enforcement Agencies and Entities.

**SECTION 2.** That the County Executive is authorized to execute the Memorandum of Understanding and all other documents consistent with this Resolution.

**SECTION 3.** To the extent an exemption for anything herein is needed, it is hereby granted.

**SECTION 4.** It is necessary that this Resolution become immediately effective for the usual daily operation of the County; the preservation of public peace, health or safety in the County; and any additional reasons set forth in the preamble. Provided that this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of at least eight members of Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon the earliest occurrence of any of the following: (1) its approval by the County Executive through signature, (2) the expiration of the time during which it may be disapproved by the County Executive under Section 3.10(6) of the Cuyahoga County Charter, or (3) its passage by at least eight members of Council after disapproval pursuant to Section 3.10(7) of the Cuyahoga County Charter. Otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

**SECTION 5.** It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the 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 Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

On a motion by Ms. Conwell, seconded by Ms. Turner, the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted.

Yeas: Simon, Kelly, Miller, Sweeney, Tuma, Gallagher, Schron, Conwell, Turner

County Council President

County Executive

and Jones

Nays: None

First Reading/Referred to Committee: <u>January 10, 2023</u> Committee(s) Assigned: <u>Health, Human Services & Aging</u>

Additional Sponsorship Requested on the Floor: <u>January 24, 2023</u>

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