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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CYBERSECURITY PROGRAM POLICIES OF THE GEAUGA COUNTY AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING BOARD AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, a legislative authority of a political subdivision is required to adopt a cybersecurity program in accordance with Section 9.64 of the Ohio Revised Code (effective September 30, 2025) that safeguards the political subdivision's data, information technology, and information technology resources to ensure availability, confidentiality and integrity; and

WHEREAS, the program must be consistent with generally accepted best practices for cybersecurity, such as the National Institute of Standards and Technology ("NIST") Cybersecurity Framework, and the Center for Internet Security ("CIS") Cybersecurity Best Practices, and the program may include, but is not limited to, the requirements set forth in Section 9.64(C)(1)-(6) of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, the Geauga County Automatic Data Processing ("ADP") Board created a cybersecurity program that meets the requirements of Section 9.64 of the Ohio Revised Code and is requesting the Village of South Russell adopt and implement the ADP Board's cybersecurity program and authorize the ADP Board to administer and enforce said program on behalf of the Village; and

WHEREAS, the ADP Board's program consists of the following policies which are intended to apply to all political subdivisions of Geauga County that are under the statutory oversight of the ADP Board or that have formally opted into ADP Board services pursuant to Section 307.847 of the Ohio Revised Code, like the Village, including:

- 1. Policy on Reporting and Escalating Cybersecurity Incidents;
- 2. Geauga County Acceptable Use Policy;
- 3. Geauga County Cybersecurity Policy;
- 4. Geauga County Endpoint Quarantine Policy;
- 5. Multi-Factor Authentication and Password Policy;
- 6. Cybersecurity Awareness Training Policy, and
- 7. Geauga County Cybersecurity Program (Section 9.64 of the Ohio Revised Code Compliance Policy) September 9, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Village of South Russell desires to implement the ADP Board's cybersecurity program in order to comply with the requirements of Section 9.64.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Village of South Russell, Geauga County, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Village of South Russell hereby adopts and implements the ADP Board's cybersecurity program and authorizes the ADP Board to administer and enforce said program on behalf of the Village of South Russell.

SECTION 2. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage 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 on or after December 2, 1975, that resulted in formal actions, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22, Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health and safety of the inhabitants of the Village and for the further reason to allow the Village to adopt and implement the ADP Board's cybersecurity program immediately; wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of all members elected to Council, this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its passage by this Council.

Mayor - President of Council

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ATTEST: Danielle Romanosoki

I certify that Resolution No. 2025 - Low was duly enacted on the day of October, 2025, by the Council of the Village of South Russell, and published in accordance with the Codified Ordinances of the Village.

Fiscal Officer

Board of County Commissioners, Geauga County, Ohio

Date:

September 30, 2025

Resolution: #25-185

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT THE CYBERSECURITY PROGRAM POLICIES OF THE GEAUGA COUNTY AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING (ADP) BOARD (R.C. § 9.64)

WHEREAS, a legislative authority of a political subdivision is required to adopt a cybersecurity program in accordance with R.C. 9.64 (effective September 30, 2025) that safeguards the political subdivision's data, information technology, and information technology resources to ensure availability, confidentiality and integrity; and

WHEREAS, the program must be consistent with generally accepted best practices for cybersecurity, such as the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Cybersecurity Framework, and the Center for Internet Security (CIS) Cybersecurity Best Practices, and the program may include, but is not limited to, the requirements set forth in R.C. 9.64(C)(1)-(6); and

WHEREAS, the ADP Board created a cybersecurity program that meets the requirements of R.C. 9.64 and is requesting the Board of Commissioners adopt and implement the ADP Board's cybersecurity program and authorize the ADP Board to administer and enforce said program on behalf of Geauga County; and

WHEREAS, the ADP Board's program consists of the following policies which are intended to apply to all political subdivisions of Geauga County that are under the statutory oversight of the ADP Board or that have formally opted into ADP Board services pursuant to R.C. 307.847, including:

- 1. Policy on Reporting and Escalating Cybersecurity Incidents;
- 2. Geauga County Acceptable Use Policy;
- 3. Geauga County Cybersecurity Policy;
- 4. Geauga County Endpoint Quarantine Policy;
- 5. Multi-Factor Authentication and Password Policy;
- 6. Cybersecurity Awareness Training Policy; and
- Geauga County Cybersecurity Program (O.R.C. § 9.64 Compliance Policy) September 9, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desires to implement the ADP Board's cybersecurity program in order to comply with the requirements of R.C. 9.64.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners hereby adopts and implements the ADP Board's cybersecurity program and policies in compliance with R.C. 9.64 and authorizes the ADP Board to administer and enforce said program and policies on behalf of Geauga County.

Voting thereon:

Vote

James W. Dvorak

Carolyn Brakey, Esq.

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I, Christine Blair, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners Geauga County, Ohio, certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a legally convened Board meeting held on September 30, 2025.

Christine Blair, Clerk