

THE SUMMIT COUNTY DRUG UNIT

WHEREAS, the Summit County Drug Unit was established in January, 2001 under the authority of the Sheriff of Summit County; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Summit County Drug Unit is to substantially reduce the impact of organized drug trafficking activity in Summit County, Ohio combining the resources of Local, State and Federal Law enforcement agencies and to identify and dismantle multi-layered drug organizations with complex conspirator relationships; and

WHEREAS, since 2001, the Summit County Drug Unit, manned by deputies, police officers and agents from Summit County, the City of Akron, University of Akron, Barberton, Copley Township, Cuyahoga Falls, Reminderville, Springfield Township, Stow, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, DEA, FBI and the Summit County Prosecutor's Office has arrested more than 1,600 suspects and removed more than \$35,000,000.00 dollars worth of drugs from the streets of our communities; and


WHEREAS, this past year, the Summit County Drug Unit dismantled 68 methamphetamine labs in Summit County, which represents an increase of 42 percent from the previous year, helping to deter a serious problem that has affected our community as well as the nation; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the County of Summit desires to thank the Summit County Drug Unit and its members publicly for their contributions to this community; and

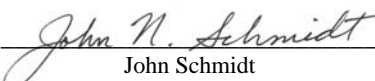
NOW, THEREFORE, be it known by all and declared by the Council of the County of Summit, State of Ohio that:


This Council recognizes the contributions that the Summit County Drug Unit has made and the commitment to public service that he has shown to the Council of the County of Summit, and with great pleasure, we salute and commend them.

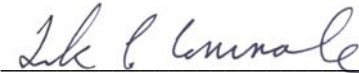
We urge all citizens to join in honoring this fine unit in receiving this commendation for their dedication to the Council of the County of Summit, County of Summit, State of Ohio this 27th day of April in the year 2009.


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Council President

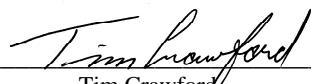

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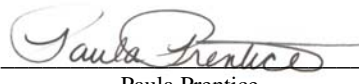

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