

**VILLAGE OF YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO
RESOLUTION 2025-58**

**DIRECTING THE VILLAGE MANAGER, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE VILLAGE'S IT SERVICES
PROVIDER, TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM SAFEGUARDING AGAINST CYBERSECURITY
THREATS AND RANSOMWARE ATTACKS**

WHEREAS, local governments have increasingly become targets for cybercriminals and can be vulnerable to cyber-attack schemes; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Auditor of State's Bulletin 2025-007, political subdivisions are required to establish a program safeguarding against cybersecurity threats and ransomware attacks; and,

WHEREAS, the Village intends to enact a Cybersecurity Program that is compliant with Ohio Revised Code Section (ORC) 9.64, enacted through H.B. 96, that safeguards the entity's data, information technology, and information technology resources to ensure availability, confidentiality, and integrity.

**NOW, THEREFORE, COUNCIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO HEREBY
RESOLVES THAT:**

- Section 1. The Village Manager, in conjunction with the Village's IT services provider, is hereby directed to establish a program safeguarding against cybersecurity threats and ransomware attacks and such program will be formally approved by Village Council before July 1, 2026.
- Section 2. In the event of a ransomware incident, the Village shall not pay or otherwise comply with a ransom demand without formal approval from Village Council, by resolution, that specifically states why the payment or compliance with the ransom demand is in the best interest of the Village of Yellow Springs.
- Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by law.

Signed: _____

Kevin Stokes, President of Council

Passed: 11-17-2025

Attest: _____

Judy Kintner, Clerk of Council

Roll Call: Stokes_Y__

DeVore Leonard_Y__

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Brown_Y__

Gustafson_Y__