

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-01

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A CYBERSECURITY POLICY FOR THE VILLAGE OF
FREDERICKTOWN, OHIO, IN ACCORDANCE WITH OHIO REVISED CODE § 9.64**

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio has enacted legislation requiring local governments to adopt cybersecurity policies by July 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the protection of Village data, systems, and critical infrastructure is essential to maintaining public trust, operational integrity, and continuity of services; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Fredericktown seeks to establish a comprehensive cybersecurity program in compliance with state law and best practices;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Fredericktown, Ohio:

Section 1. Adoption of Cybersecurity Policy: The Village of Fredericktown hereby adopts the Cybersecurity Policy attached hereto as Exhibit A, which is incorporated by reference and shall govern the Village's cybersecurity program.

Section 2. Ransomware Restriction: No ransom demand shall be paid in response to a cybersecurity incident unless authorized by ordinance or resolution of Village Council in compliance with Ohio Revised Code § 9.64.

Section 3. Reporting: The Village shall report cybersecurity incidents to the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Office of Homeland Security, and the Auditor of State, within the time frames required by law.

Section 4. Confidentiality: Cybersecurity plans, records, and related documentation are deemed non-public records under Ohio law and shall be exempt from public disclosure.

PASSED: _____

Jerry L. Day, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Suzan Graves, Fiscal Officer