

RUSSELL TOWNSHIP
TUITION LOAN AGREEMENT

This tuition Loan Agreement (“Agreement”) is made this 18th day of March, 2020 by and between the Board of Trustees of Russell Township, Geauga County, Ohio (“Township”) and Jacob C. Ebright (“Employee”).

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Employee currently serves as a part-time Firefighter/EMT with the Township’s Fire- Rescue Department (“Department”);

WHEREAS, Township and Employee may both benefit from education and/or training of Employee in job-related fields of study and/or instruction;

WHEREAS, Employee has applied for and has been accepted to attend a program of instruction at the Auburn Career Center and entitled the 2020-2021, ODPS #302 Accredited Paramedic Training Program (“Program”);

WHEREAS, upon completion of the Program, Employee can be tested to obtain a certification from the State of Ohio as a paramedic (“Certification”);

WHEREAS, Township wishes to assist Employee in attending the Program and obtaining the Certification in order to increase the competency and efficiency of the Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, Township and Employee agree as follows:

1. Township will pay to Auburn Career Center the sum of Seven Thousand, Seven Hundred and Seventy Dollars (\$7770.00) (the “Sum”) in order for Employee to attend the Program. The Sum will constitute a loan from Township to Employee. Employee agrees to repay the Sum to the Township subject to the following terms and conditions.
2. Township agrees to forgive and forego its rights to be repaid the Sum under the following circumstances:
 - a. Employee must have successfully completed and passed the Program on or before March 01, 2021;

and

b. Employee must have received the Ohio Paramedic Certification on or before September 01, 2021;

and

c. Upon receiving the Certification, Employee must remain continuously in the employ of the Department until March 01, 2023.

3. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if Employee has satisfied the requirements under paragraphs 2.a. and 2.b., above, but his employment with the Department is terminated for any reason whatsoever, voluntarily or involuntarily, on or before the dates set forth below, then the amount to be repaid to the Township shall be as indicated below:

<i>If employment is terminated:</i>	<i>then the amount to be repaid is:</i>
On or before March 01, 2021	\$ 7,770.00
After March 01, 2021, but on or before March 01, 2022	\$ 5,180.00
After March 01, 2022 but on or before March 01, 2023	\$ 2,590.00

For purposes hereof, Employee shall be considered employed by the Department if he attends a minimum of Fifty percent (50%) of available training and Twenty percent (20%) of available fire and rescue calls, as certified by the Department Fire Chief or reflected on the Department's Training Attendance and call sheet records. The Fire Chief of the Department will report, on a semiannual basis, the employment status of the Employee to the Board of Trustees.

4. Employee agrees to make a good faith effort to complete successfully the Program and to obtain the Certification for which purposes the Sum has been lent.
5. Nothing contained herein shall be considered an offer of full time employment nor shall it be considered an obligation of the Township to continue Employee's employment.
6. The Board reserves the right to waive reimbursement from the Employee, such waiver to be at the sole discretion of the Board.
7. This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties hereto on the subject matter addressed herein and there are no understandings between the parties other than those specifically and expressly set forth in the Agreement. This Agreement shall not be amended or modified in any manner except upon written agreement between the parties.

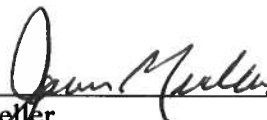
8. The parties agree that the law of the State of Ohio shall control with regard to any and all disputes that may arise, and that any and all litigation undertaken or arising under this Agreement shall be presented in a court of competent jurisdiction of Geauga County, Ohio.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Township and Employee have executed this Agreement effective on the date above written

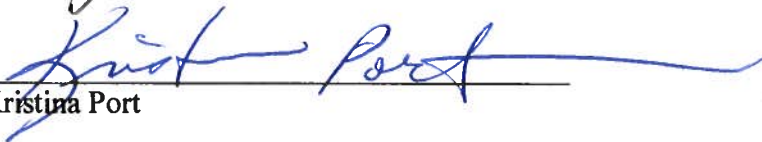
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Gary G. Gaboram



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Jacob C. Ebricht
"Employee"

APPROVED AS TO FORM

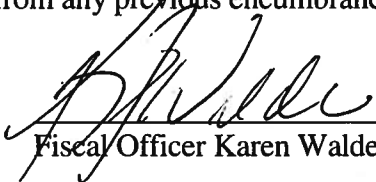


GEAUGA COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE

Reference: TUITION LOAN AGREEMENT: EB1216HT

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

It is hereby certified that the amount required to meet the obligations of this contract in the fiscal year in which the contract has been lawfully appropriated for the purposes of the contract and is in the treasury or in the process of collection to the credit of an appropriate fund free from any previous encumbrances, obligations, or certificates now outstanding.


Fiscal Officer Karen Walder

Date: 3/18/2020