

RESOLUTION NO. 10, 2026

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE VILLAGE OF ST. BERNARD CYBERSECURITY PROGRAM, ALIGNING THE PROGRAM WITH THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY (NIST) CYBERSECURITYFRAMEWORK (CSF) 2.0, DESIGNATING A CYBERSECURITY PROGRAM OWNER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the Village of St. Bernard utilizes information technology systems and electronic information to support governmental operations and services; and

WHEREAS, cybersecurity threats present risks to public services, information systems, and Village operations; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Revised Code and related state cybersecurity initiatives encourage public entities to establish and maintain cybersecurity programs aligned with recognized cybersecurity frameworks; and

WHEREAS, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Cybersecurity Framework (CSF) 2.0 is a nationally recognized cybersecurity framework providing guidance for governance, risk management, protection, detection, response, and recovery activities; and

WHEREAS, the Village desires to establish and maintain a formal cybersecurity program to support the protection of Village information systems and services; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ST. BERNARD, HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. The Village of St. Bernard Cybersecurity Program is hereby adopted as recommend in the Village of St. Bernard HB96 Cybersecurity Compliance Executive Summary herein attached as Appendix "A".

SECTION 2. The Cybersecurity Program shall be aligned with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Cybersecurity Framework (CSF) 2.0.

SECTION 3. The Director of Public Safety & Service, or successor position designated by the Village, is hereby designated as the Cybersecurity Program Owner and shall be responsible for administrative oversight of the Cybersecurity Program.

SECTION 4. The Village may utilize qualified third-party providers to assist in the implementation, maintenance, monitoring, reporting, and administration of cybersecurity controls and related technology services.

SECTION 5. The Cybersecurity Program shall be reviewed periodically and no less than annually to ensure continued effectiveness and alignment with operational needs and recognized cybersecurity practices.

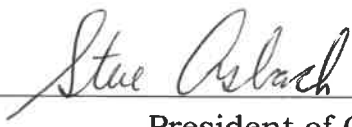
SECTION 6. Village administration is authorized to develop, maintain, and implement supporting cybersecurity procedures, incident response processes, risk management activities, training programs, and related administrative controls necessary to support the Cybersecurity Program.

SECTION 7. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any

committees that resulted in such formal action were conducted in compliance with all applicable legal requirements.

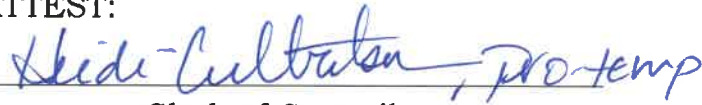
SECTION 8. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety. This emergency designation allows the village to comply with Section 9.64 of the Ohio Revised Code without delay. Therefore, this Ordinance shall take effect immediately by and upon its passage, and the approval of two-thirds of the members of said Council. However, this Ordinance shall take effect on the earliest date provided by law if approved by no more than a majority of the members of Council and in that event the emergency provisions herein are set at naught.

Passed this 25th day of June, 2026



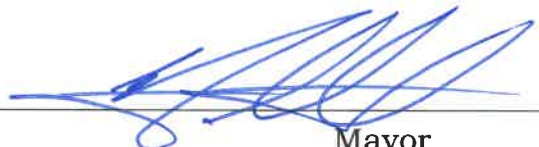
President of Council

ATTEST:



Clerk of Council

Approved this 25th day of June, 2026



Mayor

I, CAROLINE STEGMAN, CLERK OF COUNCIL, VILLAGE OF ST. BERNARD, STATE OF OHIO, DO HEREBY testify that the publication of Resolution No. 10, 2026, was made by posting true copies of the same in the most public places designated by Council: the Village website and the Village social media account, for a period of fifteen (15) days or more commencing July 10, 2026.

ATTEST:  DATE 6-25-26

Clerk of Council

Approved as to form  Date 6-25-26

Director of Law

**VILLAGE OF ST. BERNARD
HB96 CYBERSECURITY COMPLIANCE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Prepared By: NKOL Managed Information Technology and Cybersecurity Services Provider

Date: June 2026

Purpose

This Executive Summary provides an overview of the Village of St. Bernard's current cybersecurity posture and recommendations for compliance with Ohio House Bill 96 (HB96) and Ohio Revised Code 9.64.

The purpose of this document is to identify the Village's current cybersecurity capabilities, summarize improvements made to date, and recommend the governance actions necessary to establish and maintain a formal cybersecurity program.

Current State Assessment

Following NKOL's assumption of managed information technology responsibilities, the Village has implemented and/or validated numerous cybersecurity controls that align with recognized cybersecurity practices and the NIST Cybersecurity Framework (CSF) 2.0.

Implemented controls include:

- Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)
- Conditional Access Controls
- Legacy Authentication Restrictions
- Endpoint Detection and Response (EDR)
- Security Monitoring
- Automated Operating System Patching
- Third-Party Application Patching
- Server Backup Protection
- Microsoft 365 Backup Protection
- Firewall Security Controls
- Email Authentication (SPF, DKIM, DMARC)
- Cybersecurity Awareness Training
- Asset Inventory Management
- Security Documentation and Configuration Management

Governance Recommendation

The Village should formally adopt a cybersecurity program aligned with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Cybersecurity Framework (CSF) 2.0.

The proposed governance structure is:

Executive Authority

Mayor Jonathan Stuchell

Cybersecurity Program Owner

Mark Wendling Director of Public Safety & Service

Managed Information Technology and Cybersecurity Services Provider
NKOL

Legal Oversight

Valerie VanValkenburg-Walden, Law Director

Financial Oversight

Peggy Brickweg, Auditor

Compliance Status

Based upon NKOL's review, the Village has already implemented many of the technical controls expected within a modern cybersecurity program.

The primary remaining actions involve documentation, governance, and formal adoption.

Remaining Actions

1. Adopt a Cybersecurity Program.
2. Adopt a Council Resolution approving the Cybersecurity Program.
3. Establish a documented Incident Response Plan.
4. Maintain a NIST CSF Alignment Matrix.
5. Maintain a Cybersecurity Risk Register.
6. Maintain annual backup recovery testing records.
7. Conduct annual cybersecurity program reviews.

Recommended Council Action

Village Council should adopt a formal Cybersecurity Program aligned with NIST CSF 2.0 and designate the Director of Public Safety & Service as the Cybersecurity Program Owner. Council should further acknowledge NKOL as the Village's Managed Information Technology and Cybersecurity Services Provider responsible for supporting implementation, monitoring, reporting, and maintenance of cybersecurity controls.

Conclusion

The Village of St. Bernard currently demonstrates a strong cybersecurity foundation. The primary work necessary to support HB96 compliance is the formal adoption and ongoing maintenance of a documented cybersecurity program.

NKOL recommends adoption of the attached resolution and development of supporting cybersecurity governance documents to establish a sustainable and auditable cybersecurity program for the Village.

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