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Summit County Executive Russell M. Pry Continues the Series of 9/11 Remembrance Art Projects with FREE Standing

On Friday, September 10, 2010, from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Summit County Executive Russell M. Pry will be sponsoring the creation of the 9th annual 9/11 Remembrance Art Project, *FREE Standing*. The community art project will be created in the first floor lobby of the Ohio Building, located at 175 S. Main Street in downtown Akron. The event is free and open to the public.

Citizens who participate will be asked to sign a 6', wooden peace pole with red or blue markers as a way to permanently document their hope for peace. The pole, meant to represent a traditional flag pole, will feature a metal cap and stand upon a matching metal lined base. Four directional beams of light, symbolizing the world famous *Tribute in Light* installation at Ground Zero in New York City where the twin towers once stood, will be angled towards the pole to showcase signatures. The lights will also illuminate the engraved terms, "9/11 Remembrance Art Project" and "FREE Standing."

Since 2002, the 9/11 Remembrance Art Project has provided citizens with an opportunity to honor the lives lost and the courage displayed by first responders on September 11, 2001. The yearly art project also pays tribute to the victims of 9/11, public safety personnel and members of the armed forces.

For more information contact Summit County Executive Russell M. Pry's Department of Communications at 330-643-2609, or visit www.co.summit.oh.us/executive/SummitCounty9-11ProjectInfo.htm.

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