

Jackson Township - Franklin County

May 12, 2026

RESOLUTION 2026-049

**A RESOLUTION IMPOSING A MORATORIUM OF ONE (1) YEAR ON THE
ISSUANCE OF ANY PERMITS FOR DATA CENTERS IN JACKSON
TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO**

WHEREAS, for the purposes of this Resolution the definition of a data center is the following, a secure physical facility that houses IT infrastructure, including servers, data storage devices, and networking equipment, to store, process, and manage large amounts of data. They act as centralized hubs for organizations, ensuring high-speed data exchange, internet connectivity, and 24/7 operations.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees, Zoning Staff and the Jackson Township Zoning Commission require additional time to undertake a review of all applicable codes and resolutions and to study and make recommendations as to whether to limit the siting of data centers and to develop and implement resolutions regarding the proper placement and impact for data centers within the Township; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code, townships have the power to enact resolutions that are in the interest of the public health and safety of the citizens of the Township; and

WHEREAS, a moratorium of one (1) year on the granting of permits or certificates for any building, structure, use or change of use that would enable the location of a data center and related uses in order to allow the Board of Trustees, Zoning Staff and the Prairie Township Zoning Commission members adequate time to review applicable statutes, codes and resolutions relative to such uses;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Jackson Township, Franklin County, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. The Board of Trustees hereby establishes and imposes a one (1) year moratorium, from the effective date of this Resolution, on the processing and issuance of permits or certificates for any building, structure, use or change of use that would enable the placement of a data center or related uses in order to allow the Board of Trustees, Staff and Zoning Commission members to review applicable statutes, codes and resolutions relative to such uses.

SECTION 2. No certificates or permits of any kind shall be processed or issued to an applicant who intends to open, use any land or devote any floor area of a business for the purposes of a data center for the period of this moratorium. No valid existing business in the Township may expand in any way that would establish a data center or related uses for the duration of the moratorium.

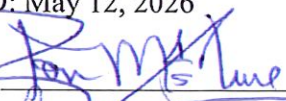
SECTION 3. The Board of Trustees directs the Zoning Inspector and Township Administrator to immediately undertake a review of the new law and related issues and to have staff recommend resolutions to the Board regarding the placement of a data center and related uses.

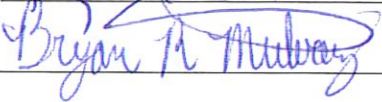
SECTION 4. The moratorium shall be in effect for a period of one (1) year from the effective date of this Resolution or until changes are enacted to amend the Zoning Resolutions of the Township or the Township enacts a resolution to address these issues or until the Board approves legislation explicitly revoking this moratorium, whichever comes first.

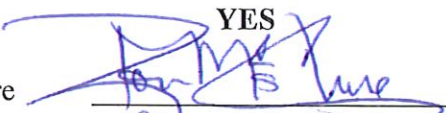
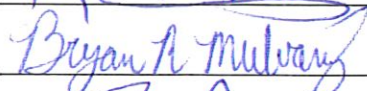

SECTION 5. It is hereby determined that all formal actions of the Board of Trustees relating to the adoption of this Resolution was taken in an open meeting of the Board of the Jackson Township Trustees and that all deliberations of such Board of Trustees were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

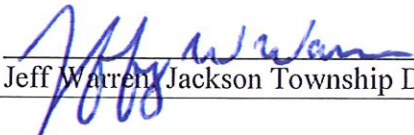
SECTION 6. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ADOPTED: May 12, 2026

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Seconded 

	YES	VOTE	NO
Ron McClure	<u></u>	_____	_____
Bryan Mulvany	<u></u>	_____	_____
Jim Rauck	<u></u>	_____	_____

Fiscal officer's certification
Adopted during a public meeting and dated 12 MAY, 2026.

Jeff Warren Jackson Township Deputy Fiscal Officer