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**RESOLUTION CREATING A GREEN SPACE COMMISSION
PURSUANT TO PA261 OF 1965**

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners has identified the conservation of open space in the County as a priority; and,

WHEREAS, the Agricultural and Open Space Preservation Committee was created by the Clinton County Board of Commissioners to explore methods for achieving the conservation of open space; and,

WHEREAS, the recommendations of the Agricultural and Open Space Preservation Committee included the creation of a Green Space Commission to serve as the Clinton County Parks and Recreation Commission, as authorized by PA261 of 1965; and,

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners defines green space as public parks, playgrounds, open space, and wildlife areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Clinton County Board of Commissioners hereby establishes a Green Space Commission pursuant to PA261 of 1965 as the Parks and Recreation Commission of Clinton County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Green Space Commission shall consist of ten members who shall be residents of Clinton County and shall be appointed by the County Board of Commissioners. Membership of the Green Space Commission shall be as follows:

- A member of the Clinton County Board of Road Commissioners
- Clinton County Drain Commissioner
- A member of the Clinton County Planning Commission
- Two members of the Clinton County Board of Commissioners
- Five residents of Clinton County (efforts shall be made to appoint residents representing important segments of the economic, governmental, social life and development of the County such as agriculture, industry, commerce, transportation, education, government and recreation).

The terms of members on the Green Space Commission shall be pursuant to the requirements of PA261 of 1965.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the functions of the Green Space Commission shall be as follows:

1. Adopt a coordinated plan that assesses the need for County green space and evaluates the extent to which the County is meeting these needs and a plan that meets State of Michigan guidelines for a comprehensive outdoor recreation plan.
2. To assist the Board of Commissioners in acquiring properties by gift, purchase, lease, agreement, or otherwise, in fee simple or with conditions, for the purposes of conserving green space throughout the County.
3. To advise the Board of Commissioners on the adoption, amending or repealing of such rules and regulations necessary to control the use and conservation of County green space.
4. To inform and update the public about the role of the Commission and the purposes and needs for green space in the County.
5. To coordinate opportunities for the public to be involved in the planning and development of the County's green space.
6. To act as a liaison and to provide coordination with the State of Michigan and cities, villages, townships, school systems and other organizations in the County to ensure a total cooperative community effort in conserving green space.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that of the functions outlined above, the Green Space Commission shall focus primarily on the conservation of green space in Clinton County for the enjoyment of present and future residents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Green Space Commission shall coordinate Clinton County's efforts to have a professionally prepared, county-wide Green Space Plan completed during 2001.

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON

I, DIANE ZUKER, Clerk of the County of Clinton do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Clinton County Board of Commissioners on October 31, 2000 as on file in the records of this office.

Diane Zuker, County Clerk