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RESOLUTION 2014 - 20

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PARTICIPATION OF CLINTON COUNTY IN THE LANSING REGIONAL BROWNFIELDS COALITION

WHEREAS, brownfields are properties such as former industrial sites, closed gas stations, dumps, or other sites that are vacant or underutilized due to contamination, perceived contamination, or blight; and

WHEREAS, the cleanup and revitalization of brownfields can provide many community benefits, including protection of public health and the environment, opportunities for economic development, neighborhood improvement, opportunities for creation of parks and community spaces, opportunities to grow advanced manufacturing, and other benefits; and

WHEREAS, Clinton County faces the challenge of brownfields at many sites throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, the Lansing region that includes the City of Lansing, the City of East Lansing, Clinton County, Eaton County, and Ingham County, seeks to work together in collaboration to revitalize brownfields and secure more resources for redevelopment of these sites for both the individual communities and the broader region; and

WHEREAS, these five local governments desire together to form the "Lansing Regional Brownfields Coalition"; and

WHEREAS, the Lansing Economic Area Partnership (LEAP) is a non-profit economic development entity with members including Clinton County, which is prepared to seek, administer and implement new funding to support the Lansing Regional Brownfields Coalition and its local government participants; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is now soliciting applications, due December 19, 2014, for brownfields grants including grants of \$600,000 for coalitions of local governments and non-profits, which can be used for assessment and reuse planning at brownfield sites ("EPA Brownfields Assessment grants"); and

WHEREAS, LEAP and the Lansing Regional Brownfields Coalition desires to obtain one of these \$600,000 EPA Brownfields Assessment grants for the benefit of the entire region and its local governments;

LET IT THEREFORE BE RESOLVED that Clinton County is a collaborative partner in the Lansing Regional Brownfields Coalition; and

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED that Clinton County supports the development and submission of an application for an EPA Brownfields Assessment grant by LEAP on behalf of the entire Coalition; and

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED that Clinton County designates Ryan Wood, Clinton County Administrator and Dru Mitchell, Clinton County Economic Alliance (CCEA) Executive Director to work in collaboration with LEAP and the other Coalition members on the development, submission, and implementation of an EPA Brownfields Assessment grant; and

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED that Clinton County will support a designated representative and other interested persons from the community to participate in the “Lansing Regional Brownfields Coalition Task Force”, a group of stakeholders meant to advance the region’s brownfields revitalization objectives.

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 at the regular meeting held November 25, 2014 and is on file in the records of this office.

Diane Zuker, Clinton County Clerk