Resolution 15-05

Authorizing Automotive Systems USA, Inc., (SMR) "Project LIONS" Application for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Business Development/Job Training Funding to State of Michigan

WHEREAS, Project LIONS, SMR Automotive Systems USA, Inc, is located at 1801 Busha Hwy., Marysville, MI 48040.

WHEREAS, the CDBG grant dollars will be used to train 200 new employees. First, private funds will be used to construct an expansion of existing north building and employee parking lot of the Marysville campus of SMR Automotive Systems USA.

WHEREAS, Project LIONS requests CDBG Grant Funds in the amount of \$2,000,000 to be used for Job Training. Private funds in the amount of over \$18,000,000 will be invested by SMR Systems at the Marysville campus for construction and expansion.

WHEREAS, Project LIONS is consistent with St. Clair County's 2030 Master Plan, as well as the City of Marysville's Master Plan of Future Land Use.

WHEREAS, the CDBG grant will benefit at least 51% of persons that are low to moderate income. No persons will be displaced as a result of the proposed activities.

WHEREAS, no eligible project costs (CDBG and non CDBG) will be incurred before the formal grant award and completion of the environmental review process.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, this resolution, from the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners, authorizes the CDBG Grant Application to be forwarded to the State of Michigan Economic Development Corporation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this Resolution gives the County Administrator, William Kauffman, authority to sign any and all attachments related to the CDBG Part 2 Application, the Grant Agreement and all amendments, an all grant payment requests.

Dated: February 26, 2015

Reviewed and Approved by:

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