

**RESOLUTION 2015-06
ST. CLAIR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SUBMISSION OF
MNRTF ACQUISITION GRANT APPLICATION TF15-0064
FOR THE PURCHASE OF 25.99-ACRES OF PROPERTY
ON THE BELLE RIVER
LOCATED IN COLUMBUS TOWNSHIP
FOR EXPANSION OF COLUMBUS COUNTY PARK
& COMMITMENT OF COUNTY MILLAGE FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Commission would like to acquire the 25.99 acre vacant property adjacent to Columbus County Park and develop the site with accessible trails for walking, mountain biking, running, nature study and cross country skiing; shoreline fishing on the Belle River; and hunting; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is consistent with the St. Clair County Master Recreation Plan Acquisition Goals which propose to acquire new properties in appropriate locations that are culturally and/or naturally significant in conjunction with the Southeast Michigan Greenways Plan and the Michigan Natural Features Inventory; to acquire properties up and downstream from Columbus County Park, particularly riverfront properties; and to acquire properties adjacent to existing PARC facilities; and

WHEREAS, the St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Commission approved the submission of MNRTF grant application number TF15-0064 for a \$69,500.00 grant with a \$24,500.00 local match constituting 26%; and

WHEREAS, the Columbus Township Board officially supports the grant application.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners authorizes the submission of acquisition grant application TF15-0064 in the amount of \$69,500.00 with a local match pledge of \$24,500.00 (26%) from the St. Clair County Parks and Recreation millage to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund to purchase 25.99-acres of land on the Belle River next to Columbus County Park.

Dated: February 26, 2015

Revised and approved as to form by:



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