RESOLUTION 2016-13 ST. CLAIR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT FOR MNRTF ACQUISITION GRANT PROJECT TF15-0064 FOR THE PURCHASE OF 25.99 ACRES OF PROPERTY AS PART OF THE COLUMBUS COUNTY PARK ALONG THE BELLE RIVER LOCATED IN THE COLUMBUS TOWNSHIP FOR USE AS A COUNTY PARK & COMMITMENT OF COUNTY MILLAGE FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Community Foundation of St. Clair County's Blue Water Land Fund has acquired a 25.99 acre property adjacent to Columbus County Park; and

WHEREAS, the St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Commission would like to acquire the property and preserve it to for access to the Belle River including shoreline fishing, walking, mountain biking and hunting; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project is consistent with the St. Clair County Master Recreation Plan Acquisition Goals which propose to acquire properties including "properties up and downstream from Columbus County Park, particularly riverfront properties"; to "Pursue the acquisition of new properties that are culturally and/or naturally significant in conjunction with the Southeast Michigan Greenways Plan"; and to provide "Opportunities for water access and a system of water trails"; and

WHEREAS, the St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Commission voted unanimously to recommend approval of Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Land Acquisition Project Agreement number TF15-0064 for a \$65,800.00 grant with a \$28,200.00 local match constituting 30% from the St. Clair County Parks and Recreation millage; and

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners does hereby accept the terms of the Agreement as received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (the Department) and that the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners does hereby specifically agree, but not by way of limitation, as follows:

- 1. To appropriate all funds necessary to complete the project during the project period and to provide \$28,200.00 to match the grant authorized by the Department.
- 2. To maintain satisfactory financial accounts, documents, and records to make them available to the Department for auditing at reasonable times in perpetuity.
- 3. To regulate the use of the property acquired and reserved under this Agreement to assure the use thereof by the public on equal and reasonable terms.
- 4. To comply with any and all terms of said Agreement including all terms not specifically set forth in the foregoing portions of this Resolution.

Dated:

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Reviewed and Approved