ST. CLAIR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION 18-38

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE MICHIGAN LIGHTHOUSE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (MLAP) GRANT

WHEREAS, St. Clair County owns the Fort Gratiot Light Station and has worked diligently to maintain and renovate the buildings and grounds as funding allows; and

WHEREAS, St. Clair County partnered with the City of Port Huron to successfully complete a Federal Save America's Treasures grant to restore the lighthouse; and

WHEREAS, St. Clair County has successfully completed a Michigan Lighthouse Assistance Program grant to replace the Equipment Building roof and repair and repaint the Fog Signal Building roof and doors; and

WHEREAS, St. Clair County has also completed a Coastal Zone Management grant to install ADA walkways and interpretive panels at the Light Station; and

WHEREAS, St. Clair County Parks and Recreation has partnered with the Port Huron Museum to provide tours and programs at the Light Station that have hosted over 154,500 visitors since the site was re-opened to the public on May 19, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Gratiot Light Station Advisory Committee has recommended that St. Clair County apply for a MLAP grant to repair and restore additional Light Station building roofs as identified by the Historic Structures Report (HSR);

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Commission is authorized and directed to file an application for a \$55,000 MLAP grant project to repair and restore the Retired Station roof at the Fort Gratiot Light Station with a \$36,666.50 MLAP grant and a \$18,333.50 local match provided by the Friends of the Fort Gratiot Light in partnership with the Parks and Recreation Commission and that upon approval of the application by the State of Michigan, the St. Clair County Administrator/Controller shall be authorized to sign the grant agreement, any grant agreement amendments, other agreement-related documents and the related historic preservation easement and that the grant will be administered by the St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Commission.

Dated: November 8, 2018

Reviewed and Approved As To Form By:

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