

**Resolution No. 08-2022**

**A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR CLEAN OHIO GREEN SPACE CONSERVATION GRANT FUNDING AND AGREE TO OBLIGATE THE NECESSARY FUNDS TO COMPLETE THE HEADWATERS FOREST PRESERVE PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, the State of Ohio, through the Ohio Public Works Commission, administers financial assistance for conservation purposes through the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Grant Program ("Clean Ohio"); and

**WHEREAS**, Richfield Joint Recreation District (the "District") desires financial assistance under Clean Ohio for the purchase and protection for approximately 41.57 acres; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees of the District intend to fulfill Clean Ohio's objectives of the preservation of open spaces, sensitive ecological areas, and stream corridors with this purchase; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed project is located entirely in Summit County and situated in the Village of Richfield, along Wheatley Road and east of Interstate 77; and

**WHEREAS**, preservation of this parcel will protect the property's natural resources, which comprise several headwaters streams and mature forest area that provide a habitat for diverse plant and animal species; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Richfield Joint Recreation District Board of Trustees**

1. That the Board of Trustees approves filing this application for financial assistance.
2. That the Chair or any Trustee designated by the Chair is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file an application with the Ohio Public Works Commission and to provide all information and documentation required to become eligible for possible funding assistance.
3. That the Board of Trustees is authorized to enter into any agreements as may be necessary and appropriate for obtaining the financial assistance.

2/24/2022

Date Passed

ATTEST:

Polly Whalen

Administrative Coordinator

[Signature]

Chairperson, Richfield Joint Recreation District

Sandra L. Apodaca

Secretary, Richfield Joint Recreation District