

RESOLUTION NO. 11-2021

Offered by the Richfield Joint Recreation District Board of Trustees

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS FROM THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD FOR COVID PREVENTION AND MITIGATION IN THE RICHFIELD JOINT RECREATION DISTRICT LODGE FACILITY

WHEREAS, the Village of Richfield and Richfield Township, the political subdivisions which formed the Richfield Joint Recreation District in 2017, have each been awarded funds pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA); and

WHEREAS, United States Department of the Treasury Guidance and rules on the use of ARPA funds permit such funds to be used for purposes of preventing and mitigating the spread of COVID, including by way of improving and upgrading ventilation in congregate settings; and

WHEREAS, the RJRD's Lodge at the Richfield Heritage Preserve is an event and meeting facility in which groups of people congregate and gather, and is in need of new and upgraded ventilation and HVAC facilities consistent with the efforts of the governments of the United States, the State of Ohio, Summit County, Richfield Township and the Village of Richfield to advance the public health, prevent and mitigate the spread of COVID-19, and enhance the safety of public gathering spaces; and

WHEREAS, the RJRD has obtained estimates of the cost of such ventilation upgrades, which exceed \$50,000; and

WHEREAS, RJRD has discussed its plans with the Village of Richfield and Richfield Township, and believes that both entities support the devotion of a portion of their ARPA monies to this important community project, and intends to request \$50,000 in ARPA funds from these entities for these purposes; and

WHEREAS, based generally upon the relative awards of ARPA funds to the Village and the Township, the RJRD will request \$30,000 in ARPA funds from the Village of Richfield and \$20,000 in ARPA funds from Richfield Township, in order to defray the costs of the project and provide safer options for residents of the Village and the Township to congregate and utilize the Richfield Heritage Preserve facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE RICHFIELD JOINT RECREATION DISTRICT, COUNTY OF SUMMIT, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

SECTION 1. The Board of Trustees supports the submission of requests for ARPA funds to Richfield Township and the Village of Richfield, and is confident that both of these entities, as founding subdivisions of the RJRD, understand and support the public health benefits of the planned upgrade of HVAC facilities at the Lodge for Richfield residents and others.

SECTION 2. The Chairperson of the Board of Trustees is hereby authorized and directed to submit requests for ARPA funding to the Township and the Village as described herein, to provide any information or documents that the founding subdivisions

may request in connection with their consideration of RJRD's request, and to appear at meetings of the legislative authorities of the subdivisions to discuss the request if the subdivisions desire such discussion.

SECTION 3. The Chairperson, with the Treasurer, is authorized to execute any documents that the subdivisions may require in connection with any disbursement of ARPA funds to the RJRD.

SECTION 4. The Board of Trustees shall fully cooperate with the subdivisions in connection with any need for verification or audit of the expenditure of funds received from them, including contracts and related documents.

SECTION 5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

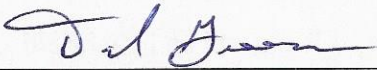
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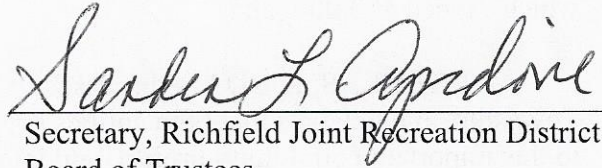


Chairperson, Richfield Joint Recreation District
Board of Trustees

ATTEST:



Administrative Coordinator, Richfield Joint
Recreation District



Secretary, Richfield Joint Recreation District
Board of Trustees