RESOLUTION NUMBER 35-13

The Board of County Commissioners of Clermont County, Ohio, met in Regular Session on the 18h day of March, 2013, with the following members present:

Edwin H. Humphrey, President
David H. Uible, Vice-President
Robert L. Proud, Member

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AGENCY (DSA) APPALACHIA ASSISTANCE FUND LINE ITEMS

Mr. Uible moved for the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, Clermont County is served by the Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission (including the counties of Adams, Brown, Fayette, Gallia, Highland, Jackson, Lawrence, Pike, Ross, Scioto and Vinton) as its Local Development District for the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC);

WHEREAS, the ARC is a model for federal economic development programs and has assisted the OVRDC region to improve the social and economic climate and improve critical infrastructure;

WHEREAS, the Development Services Agency (DSA) Appalachia Assistance Fund provides much needed economic development project funding in the region and also assists communities to improve the social and economic climate and improve critical infrastructure;

WHEREAS, the ARC and DSA Appalachia Assistance Fund provide funding for business development, education and job training, telecommunications, infrastructure, community development, housing, and transportation projects creating new jobs; improvements to local water and sewer systems; increasing workforce readiness; expanding access to health care; assisting local communities with strategic planning; and providing technical and managerial assistance to emerging businesses;

WHEREAS, without the ARC and DSA Appalachia Assistance Fund and their ability to consider a county or community's current assets and ability to "match" funding, many projects would go unfunded because counties simply do not have local funds to complete the projects; and

WHEREAS, in 2012, Ohio's LDDs administered 49 ARC and DSA Appalachia Assistance Fund (previously known as Ohio Department of Development (ODOD) Appalachian Development Fund) projects totaling over $34,451,854 in total project costs and resulting in 876 new jobs and another 4,091 jobs retained in the region with funding provided from these sources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Clermont County hereby supports continued funding of the DSA Appalachia Assistance Fund Line Items as follows:

		Actual	Estimated	Recommended	
Line Item #	Name	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015
GRF195416	Gov. Off. of App	$4,401,454	$0	$0	$0
GRF195501	Local Dev. Dist.	$391,482	$440,000	$440,000	$440,000
GRF195502	ARC Dues	$195,000	$0	$0	$0
GRF195535	App. Assistance	$0	$3,846,482	$3,846,482	$3,846,482
3080	ARC	$235,993	$475,000	$475,000	$475,000
		$5,223,929	$4,761,482	$4,761,482	$4,761,482

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of its Committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with the applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Mr. Proud seconded the Resolution and upon roll call, the vote resulted as follows:

Mr. Uible, Yes; Mr. Proud, Yea; Mr. Humphrey, Aye.

ATTEST:

Judith Kocica, Clerk of the Board
Board of County Commissioners
Clermont County, Ohio

March 18, 2013

Approved as to form:

Allan Edwards
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney