

TEMPORARY RESOLUTION NO. 108-24

PERMANENT RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT A BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE VIOLET TOWNSHIP – CITY OF LANCASTER JOINT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 715.72 empowers certain political subdivisions to form joint economic districts for economic development purposes; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 715.72 and Resolution 2023-1101-08, passed by the Board of Trustees (the “Board”) for Violet Township, Fairfield County, Ohio (the “Township”) on November 1, 2023, the Township is party to the Violet Township - City of Lancaster Joint Economic Development District Contract dated December 3, 2023 (the “Contract”) by and between the Township and the City of Lancaster, Ohio (the “City”), which Contract creates and provides for the operation of a joint economic development district (the “District”) known as the “Violet Township - City of Lancaster Joint Economic Development District;” and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Contract and Ohio Revised Code Section 715.72(P), the District established an initial board of directors (the “Board of Directors”) of the District with three initial members, and the Board of Directors held an initial organizational meeting on December 4, 2023 where the Board of Directors approved certain actions, including the approval of the bylaws (the “Bylaws”) of the Board of Directors pursuant to District Resolution 2023-01; and

WHEREAS, the Township’s operations within the District qualifies as a “Business” for purposes of Ohio Revised Code Section 715.72(A)(4), and the Business is “operating within” the District because the income of the employees of the Township is subject to the income tax levied in the District, pursuant to the Contract; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 715.72(P) if there are businesses operating and persons employed within the district, the Board of Directors shall be composed of five members, including one member representing the owners of businesses operating within the District, and one member representing the persons employed (the “Employee Board Member”) within the District; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2.2 of the Bylaws of the Board of Directors, the Board of the Township shall appoint the Employee Board Member of the Board of Directors of the District, and pursuant to Section 2.3 of the Bylaws, the initial term of the Employee Board Member shall be four (4) years; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. William Vince Utterback is hereby appointed to the Board of Directors of the Violet Township – City of Lancaster Joint Economic Development District as the Employee Board Member, commencing for a term commencing the first day of the month in which the JEDD Board holds its first meeting following the adoption of this Resolution, and terminating 4 years thereafter.

SECTION 2. That City Council hereby finds that this Resolution was deliberated upon and passed in an open meeting in compliance with Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3. That this resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the City and for the further reason that the board member appointment is needed prior to the December 4 board meeting so as to fill all open board positions and allow the board to transact business; wherefore, this resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Mayor.

Passed: _____ after _____ reading. Vote: Yeas _____ Nays _____

Date Approved: _____

President of Council

Clerk: _____

Mayor

Offered by: _____

Second by: _____

Requested by Law Committee