

RESOLUTION

Urging the United States Congress to support the NASA Glenn Research Center budget preserving local jobs and recognizing their contributions to civil aeronautics and its importance for commercial and military applications.

WHEREAS, the NASA Glenn Research Center employs over 1,900 fulltime employees.

WHEREAS, the NASA Glenn Research Center provides aeronautics research that aircraft companies cannot fund, due to cost and risk; local expertise helps design safer, quieter, higher-powered and more fuel-efficient aircraft for commercial and military applications.

WHEREAS, the NASA Glenn Research Center also designs scientific experiments for the orbiting space station, including experiments for producing new drugs, increasing automobile gas mileage and reducing pollution.

WHEREAS, the European Union is proposing a \$100 billion public-private partnership to make its aeronautic industry the world leader by 2020, further jeopardizing jobs in the United States.

WHEREAS, proposed changes to the International Space Station budget will negatively impact research at our local universities by reducing the size of the facility and the learning and employment opportunities for students.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of Cuyahoga County, Ohio, urges the United States Congress to consider additional funding for the International Space Station and aeronautics and to provide adequate budget support for the NASA Glenn Research Center so as to preserve existing personnel levels.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board be, and she is, hereby instructed to transmit a copy of this resolution to President George W. Bush, U.S. Senators from Ohio Michael DeWine and George Voinovich, Subcommittee Chair Christopher Bond, U.S. Representatives Sherrod Brown, Stephanie Tubbs -Jones, Dennis Kucinich and Steven C. LaTourette, and County Commissioners Association of Ohio Executive Director, Larry Long and Paul Oyaski, Director, Department of Development.

On Motion of Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Dimora, the foregoing resolution was duly adopted.

Ayes: Jones, Dimora, Hagan.

Nays: None.

Resolution Adopted.

**Penelope M. Hughes,
Clerk of the Board**