

RESOLUTION

Supporting House Bill 294, pending legislation that would streamline the foreclosure process for vacant abandoned tax delinquent properties and urging the Ohio Senate's bipartisan support of this Bill.

WHEREAS, large numbers of vacant abandoned properties with delinquent property taxes have become a blighting influence in both urban and suburban Cuyahoga County neighborhoods.

WHEREAS, the Ohio House of Representatives recently gave bipartisan support to pass by an 85-5 margin House Bill 294, which would allow the Board of Revision in any Ohio county to process foreclosures of vacant, tax delinquent real property located in that county at the option of the County Treasurer, as an alternative to judicial foreclosure.

WHEREAS, the problem of tax delinquent vacant properties must be addressed through legislative action as part of a comprehensive and coordinated statewide approach to the issue of vacant properties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Cuyahoga County, Ohio, hereby supports House Bill 294, which would streamline the foreclosure of vacant abandoned properties with delinquent property taxes so they can be returned to productive use and urge the Ohio Senate to concur with this bill on a bipartisan basis.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board be, and she is, hereby instructed to transmit a copy of this resolution to Paul Oyaski, Director, Department of Development and one copy to Paul Herdeg, Manager, Housing Division.

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

Ayes: Jones, Hagan, Dimora.

Nays: None.

Resolution Adopted.

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

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