RESOLUTION

Supporting a grant application by Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency to Ohio Department of Development for a feasibility study for the Local Government Services and Regional Collaboration Grant Program for the period September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2009.

WHEREAS, Cuyahoga County has for years and continues to encourage regional collaboration.

WHEREAS, the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA), a regional public agency, of which Cuyahoga County is a member in good standing, is applying for state funding to advance regional collaboration for economic development planning in Northeast Ohio.

AND WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Statistical Area of Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor which makes up NOACA, is an economy of nearly \$100 billion annually and remains the largest economic driver in the State of Ohio.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Cuyahoga County, Ohio, hereby lends its full support to NOACA's effort to receive a grant award from the Ohio Department of Development's Local Government Services and Regional Collaboration Grant Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board be, and she is, hereby instructed to transmit a copy of this resolution to Hugh B. Shannon, Government Services Coordination Manager, Administrator's Office.

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

Ayes: Dimora, Hagan, Jones.

Nays: None.

Resolution Adopted.

Jeanne M. Schmotzer, Clerk of the Board

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