## **RESOLUTION 88-2022**

A RESOLUTION URGING GOVERNOR DEWINE AND THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO RECONSIDER ENDING THE ROUTE 23 CONNECT STUDY, AND IN SUPPORT OF AN IMPROVED HIGHWAY CONNECTION BETWEEN NORTHWEST OHIO AND THE CITY OF COLUMBUS

WHEREAS, the City of Perrysburg, through its Administration and its City Council have long advocated for a more direct and improved highway connection to the City of Columbus; and

WHEREAS, a free-flowing connection will allow our region to benefit from tremendous economic development that could occur here, as well as central Ohio; and

WHEREAS, research shows that over the next twenty years central Ohio is expected to grow by more than one million households and one million jobs, causing the options for the improvement of safety and travel from this corridor of the state to the City of Columbus to become even more limited and costly.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERRYSBURG, WOOD COUNTY, OHIO:

SECTION 1. That the City of Perrysburg opposes the early termination of the Route 23 connect study by the Ohio Department of Transportation.

SECTION 2. That the City of Perrysburg supports the development of an improved highway connection or by-pass between Northwest Ohio and the City of Columbus so as to provide for a more direct and improved highway connection to the City of Columbus, and to permit the citizens of Perrysburg and Northwest Ohio to benefit from the tremendous economic development occurring in Central Ohio

SECTION 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions of Council concerning or relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees, that resulted in such formal actions, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of the City of Perrysburg and the State of Ohio.

SECTION 4. This Resolution shall take effect at the earliest time permitted by law.

President of Council

Mayor

PASSED: 10-18-22

ATTEST: Umler Cathburn

APPROVED: 10-18-22

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