RESOLUTION ASIAN CARP HR 4001

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of Trustees of the Township of Clay, County of St. Clair, State of Michigan, in the Clay Township Meeting Hall 4710 Pte Tremble Rd, Clay Township, MI on Monday March 17, 2014 at 7:30 pm with the following in attendance:

PRESENT: Supervisor Bryson, Treasurer Krueger, Trustee Horvath, Trustee Miller, Trustee Straffon ABSENT: Clerk White, Trustee Fetter

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Treasurer Krueger, and supported by Trustee Horvath:

WHEREAS, Asian Carp have been found in the Illinois River, which connects the Mississippi River to Lake Michigan; and

WHEREAS, due to their large size and rapid rate of reproduction, these fish could pose a significant risk to the Great Lakes ecosystem; and,

WHEREAS, Clay Township has over 27 miles of shoreline along the St. Clair River and Lake St Clair and is the base for our tourism industry that includes roadside parks, and several water sports, such as kayaking, fishing charters, swimming and boating; and

WHEREAS, the spread of Asian Carp further into the Great Lakes would devastate these activities; and

WHEREAS, the Clay Township Board of Trustees realizes that action needs to be taken to prevent the further spread of Asian Carp; and

WHEREAS, HR 4001 would authorize projects necessary to separate the hydrologic connection between the Great Lakes and Mississippi River basins to prevent the interbasin transfer of aquatic invasive species.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Township of Clay does hereby fully supports HR 4001 to authorize projects necessary to separate the hydrologic connection between the Great Lakes and Mississippi River basins to prevent the interbasin transfer of aquatic invasive species.; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Congresswoman Candice Miller, Senator Carl Levin, Senator Debbie Stabenow, and Michigan U.S. Representatives Dan Lauwers, Bill Huizenga, Justin Amash, Dave Camp, Dan Kildee, Fred Upton, Tim Walberg, Mike Rogers, Sander Levin, Kerry Bentivolio, John Dingell, John Conyers Jr., and Phil Pavlov

ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: Straffon, Bryson, Krueger, Miller Horvath

NAYES: None

ABSENT: White, Fetter

This Resolution adopted by the Clay Township Board of Trustees on March 17, 2014.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Clerk of the Township of Clay, hereby certifies that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the Clay Township Board of Trustees of the Township of Clay, County of St. Clair, Michigan at a meeting held on March 17, 2014 at which five members of the Township Board were present and voted as indicated, that said meeting was held in accordance with the Open Meetings Act of the State of Michigan, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

Lisa White, Clay Township Clerk

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