

RESOLUTION

By Brownhelm Township, March 11, 2008

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, DIVISION OF NATURAL AREAS AND PRESERVES, TO STUDY THE VERMILION RIVER FOR DESIGNATION AS A COMPONENT OF THE STATE SCENIC RIVERS SYSTEM AND DECLARING INTENT TO COOPERATE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, OTHER AGENCIES AND UNITS OF GOVERNMENT IN THE PRESERVATION OF THE VERMILION RIVER, SHOULD THE STUDY REQUEST RESULT IN DESIGNATION.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Section 1517.14 et seq. of the Ohio Revised Code, the Director of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources may declare an area to be a wild, scenic, or recreational river area; and

WHEREAS, Brownhelm Township has reason to support the study of the Vermilion River to determine if it qualifies for designation as a wild, scenic or recreational river area, as outlined in Ohio Revised Code Section 1517.14 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, Brownhelm Township understands that the term “natural” is intended to mean a condition within the river’s corridor approximating the original vegetation and forest type of primitive Ohio; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of Scenic River designation is to ensure protection of streams in their natural state; and

WHEREAS, The Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Natural Areas & Preserves requires a majority of directly affected counties, municipalities, and townships to submit a request for study of any river;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Trustees of Brownhelm Township, Lorain County, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1: That Brownhelm Township hereby requests the chief of the Division of Natural Areas & Preserves to study the River for designation as a wild, scenic, or recreational river area, pursuant to Section 1517.14 et seq. of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 2: Brownhelm Township agrees to cooperate with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Scenic Rivers’ staff, with other units of government and agencies in the development and implementation of river preservation techniques for long term protection of the River.

Passed this 11th day of March, 2008.

ATTEST:



Marsha Funk
Fiscal Officer

APPROVED:



Fred Barck
Chairman, Board of Trustees



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