

RESOLUTION NO. 39-2008

Offered by: All of Council

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE REGIONAL ECONOMIC REVENUE STUDY OF THE NORTHEAST OHIO MAYORS & CITY MANAGERS ASSOCIATION AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY TO THE STATE OF OHIO FOR A GRANT IN SUPPORT THEREOF.

WHEREAS, the Northeast Ohio region as a whole trails much of the nation in economic development and new job creation,

WHEREAS, the communities within Northeast Ohio region must compete with one another for new jobs in a “go-it-alone, winner-take-all” environment,

WHEREAS, there is a clear and distinct need for community officials and leaders throughout the region to pursue a “change in thinking” and to pursue a regional model for stimulating economic development,

WHEREAS, there are clear models and examples across the nation where regions combine to join forced in pursuit of economic development and new job creation,

WHEREAS, leaders across the region have researched and identified a region-wide planning and new growth revenue sharing initiative under the Regional Economic Revenue Study (RERS),

WHEREAS, the Northeast Ohio Mayors & City Managers Association has overwhelmingly endorsed the research phase of the RERS, and voted to move forward with development and recommended implementation of the RERS findings,

WHEREAS, the Northeast Ohio Mayors & City Managers Association has applied to the State of Ohio for a grant to support the RERS study,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Village of Richfield, Summit County, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That the Village of Richfield does hereby endorse and support the RERS in an effort to create a region-wide planning and new growth revenue sharing model for Northeast Ohio. The Village of Richfield does hereby support the effort of RERS leadership in developing a comprehensive, collaborative, sustainable, non-partisan Northeast Ohio regional economic development program with state and local resources in order to promote economic development and new job growth in the region.

SECTION 2. That the mayor be and hereby is authorized and directed to join with the Northeast Ohio Mayors & City Managers Association in their application for a grant to fund the RERS study.

SECTION 3. This resolution shall take effect and be enforced from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: 8/5/08


President of Council

ATTEST:


Clerk of Council


Mayor

Dated:  8/6/08