

RESOLUTION NO. 57-2005

Offered by All of Council

**A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE APPLICATION OF THE FRIENDS OF THE CROOKED RIVER AND THE CUYAHOGA VALLEY NATIONAL PARK FOR THE CUYAHOGA VALLEY WATERSHED BALANCED GROWTH PLAN AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Friends of the Crooked River and the Cuyahoga Valley National Park have proposed to develop a watershed balanced growth plan; and

WHEREAS, this project offers a unique opportunity to develop a regional watershed growth plan to better manage regional growth pressure, water quality issues, the Cuyahoga River and the Cuyahoga Valley National Park and units of the Metro Parks, Serving Summit County; and

WHEREAS, several tributaries in the watershed are in good environmental condition due to the protected status of Cuyahoga Valley National Park and Furnace Run Metro Park, Metro Parks Serving Summit County; and

WHEREAS, many tributaries in this watershed originate on lands in communities experiencing an increase in residential development; and

WHEREAS, recent scientific studies and ongoing water monitoring in the watershed have revealed a link between increasing impervious surface area and a decrease in water quality; and

WHEREAS, effective management of the Cuyahoga Valley Watershed can best be accomplished through a cooperative effort involving the villages, municipalities and townships and other stakeholders in the watershed.

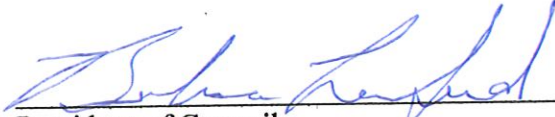
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Village of Richfield, Summit County, State of Ohio:


SECTION 1. That the Village of Richfield endorses the application for the Cuyahoga Valley Watershed Balanced Growth Plan and is willing to participate in the development of this watershed balanced growth plan for the Cuyahoga River Valley.

SECTION 2. This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare and for the further reason that it is immediately necessary in order to be effective by August 15, 2005; wherefore, provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of Council elected or appointed, it shall take effect

immediately upon its passage and execution by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.


PASSED: 8/2/05

  
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President of Council

  
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Mayor

Dated: 8/14/05

ATTEST:

  
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Clerk of Council