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RESOLUTION 2006-7 **ENDORISING AND SUPPORTING THE TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING** **COMMISSION'S "REGIONAL GROWTH: CHOICES FOR OUR FUTURE"** **PROJECT'S REGIONAL LAND USE VISION POLICY MAP,** **THEMES AND PRINCIPLES**

WHEREAS, on December 28, 1973, the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission was designated by the Governor of Michigan as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Lansing Urbanized Area; and

WHEREAS, the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission conducted analysis of current regional trends in land use, growth, development, environmental impacts, the efficiency and effectiveness of the transportation system, obtained substantial public input and gave careful consideration to alternative regional land use patterns; and

WHEREAS, the Regional 2030 Transportation Plan adopted by Tri-County Regional Planning Commission on October 26, 2005 re-endorses results from the **"Regional Growth: Choices for Our Future"** project's "Wise Growth" alternative as directed by the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission on March 27, 2002, confirmed by the Regional Growth Steering Committee on April 5, 2002 and as adopted by the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission on March 26, 2003 in the Regional 2025 Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the adopted Regional 2030 Transportation Plan is based on regional socioeconomic forecasts approved by the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission in December, 2001 with consideration being given to long term reallocation of these forecasts to be more consistent with the adopted "Wise Growth" land use alternative from the **"Regional Growth: Choices for Our Future"** project; and

WHEREAS, the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission recognized regional development, land use and implementing the adopted "Wise Growth" scenario is the region's highest priority issue in order to reduce congestion, maintain and improve air quality, protect environmentally sensitive or agricultural lands, continue to maintain and expand the regional economy, improve global competitiveness, sustain quality of life of the region's residents and is part of their fiduciary responsibility to taxpayers in order to protect public health, safety and welfare of the region's residents; and

WHEREAS, the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission has adopted policies to evaluate all proposed future expenditures of federal funds and to establish project priorities for use of federal funds based on the adopted alternative for land use as shown on the "Wise Growth" policy map and which are consistent with the adopted themes and principles as shown in the **"Regional Growth: Choices for Our Future"** Summary Report for the Lansing Metropolitan Region dated September, 2005 and on its accompanying Poster Plan as transmitted on January 20, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Clinton County Board of Commissioners is the duly constituted local governmental policy making body for Clinton County and desires to endorse and support the **"Regional Growth: Choices for Our Future"** themes, principles and policy map which constitute the agreed on regional land use vision in order to guide future regional growth and development; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Growth project's themes, principles and policy map are intended to provide a compatible generalized regional framework to guide local government land use plans and other decisions in order to preserve and protect the public health, safety and welfare of the region's residents consistent with the Clinton County Board of Commissioner's fiduciary responsibility to our citizens; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that it is the finding of the Clinton County Board of Commissioners that endorse and support of **"Regional Growth: Choices for Our Future"** themes, principles and policy map as depicted in A Summary Report for the Lansing Metropolitan Area and on its accompanying Poster Plan are necessary to protect public health, safety and welfare and are consistent with our fiduciary responsibility to our taxpayers of Clinton County Board of Commissioners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clinton County Board of Commissioners does hereby endorse and support said themes, principles and policy map as policies for Clinton County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is the policy of Clinton County that these endorsed and supported themes, principles and policy map be referred to staff and/or the Planning Commission for use in considering consistency of future development, development decisions and other actions in local decision making.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it shall be the policy of Clinton County to support and actively work with other local governments, agencies and the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission to fully participate in considering implementation of the **"Regional Growth: Choices for Our Future"** action plan and in hosting related training and other activities as may be appropriate to fully integrate our policies endorsing and supporting the regional land use vision into the fabric of regional life.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be transmitted to the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission, adjacent governmental jurisdictions and other local, state and federal agencies and representatives as appropriate.

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON

I, DIANE ZUKER, Clerk of the County of Clinton do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Clinton County Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held February 28, 2006.

Diane Zuker, County Clerk