

**SUGARCREEK TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION NO. 2018.03.12.05**

IN RE: Supporting Preservation of Ohio's Waterways on the Occasion of the 50 Year Anniversary of the Scenic Rivers Act

WHEREAS, Ohio became a pioneer in the river preservation movement with the passage of the Ohio Scenic River Act of 1968, the nation's first scenic rivers act, which created a program to preserve and protect rivers throughout our state; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's rivers, creeks and streams provide locally accessible natural resources for environmental learning, wildlife appreciation and recreational opportunities as water trails; and

WHEREAS, Ohio has approximately 60,000 miles of rivers and streams throughout our state including fourteen that are officially designated as wild, scenic or recreational: the Ashtabula, Chagrin, Big & Little Darby, Kokosing, Little Miami, Mohican, Olentangy, Sandusky, Upper Cuyahoga, Conneaut, Grand, Little Beaver, Stillwater/Greenville and Maumee rivers; and

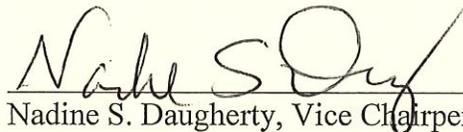
WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency have been essential partners in the effort to ensure the safety and protection of Ohio's water resources; and

WHEREAS, 2018 marks the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Ohio Scenic River Act and provides an opportunity to reflect on the progress that has been made to protect our state's scenic rivers and a chance to reaffirm our local commitment to preserving and protecting Ohio's natural resources so that they can be enjoyed and experienced by future generations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, on this 12th day of March, 2018, the Sugarcreek Township Board of Trustees does hereby recognize the 50th anniversary of the OHIO SCENIC RIVER ACT and encourages all residents and visitors to join in the celebration of five decades of commitment to protecting our state's wild and scenic rivers.



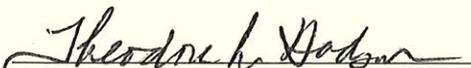
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