RESOLUTION NO. 38-2023

Resolution supporting the Westfall Preserve Wetlands Restoration Project in West Chester Township and Mill Creek Alliance's application for Clean Ohio Fund's Green Space Conservation Program through the District 10 Natural Resources Assistance Council

WHEREAS, West Chester Township supports the preservation of its waterways and riparian corridors and enhancement of the aesthetics and safety of its public open spaces along Mill Creek, as outlined in the Township's Port Union - Gilmore Ponds Conservation Corridor Plan; and

WHEREAS, West Chester Township is committed to implementing projects, policies, and practices to support the same; and

WHEREAS, Mill Creek Alliance desires to submit a grant application to the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program to restore floodplain and the stream channel in the Floodway section of the parcel currently owned by Grand Communities, LLC at Section 11, Town 2, Range 2, West Chester, Butler County, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Grand Communities, LLC is also in support of this project;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the West Chester Township Board of Trustees does hereby agree to:

<u>Section 1.</u> That the Township Administrator is hereby authorized to assist Mill Creek Alliance in its' application for Clean Ohio Funds through the District 10 Natural Resources Assistance Council for funds for restoration and enhancement of the floodway and riparian zone of Mill Creek.

<u>Section 2.</u> That West Chester Township supports this effort, as it is consistent with the Township's long-range plans.

<u>Section 3.</u> That the Township Administrator is authorized to enter into and execute any agreements that may be necessary and appropriate for obtaining this financial assistance.

Adopted this 22^{nd} day of August 2023.

Ann Becker, Chair

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	Absent	
ATTEST:	Lee Wong, Vice Chair	Yes/No
Bruce Jones, Fiscal Officer	Mark Welch, Trustee	Yes/No
APPROVED AS TO FORM:		
Donald L. Crain, Law Director	-	