

The Board of County Commissioners, in and for Lake County, Ohio, met this day in regular session with the following members present:

Commissioners: *(com)

* presented the following resolution and moved its adoption.

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT CLEAN ENERGY NUCLEAR POWER IN OHIO

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the adoption of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all the deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal actions, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's two nuclear energy plants provide many critical economic, environmental, reliability and energy diversity benefits; and

WHEREAS, Current federal and state energy policies do not adequately account for the value nuclear energy plants provide to the public, which greatly contributes to why both nuclear plants in Ohio are slated for early retirement; and

WHEREAS, Nuclear energy plants produce more than 12 percent of Ohio's electricity, and 90 percent of Ohio's carbon-free electricity; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's nuclear plants avoid 9 million metric tons of carbon emissions, equivalent to keeping nearly 2 million cars off the road every year; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's two state-of-the-art nuclear plants generate energy on a 24/7 basis and in virtually all weather conditions, helping ensure the resilience of our electric system; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's nuclear plants each have a year or more of on-site fuel allowing the plants to operate in a manner independent of supply chain disruptions and providing the state with a more secure and resilient electric infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's nuclear energy plants contribute nearly \$510 million annually to the state's economy; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's nuclear plants provide 4,300 total primary and secondary jobs in Ohio and generate \$30 million in annual state and local tax revenue; and

WHEREAS, Ohio nuclear plants contribute millions of dollars every year to school districts, first responders, vendors and non-profits throughout their communities.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we as the Board of Lake County Commissioners acknowledge the contribution that nuclear plants make to Ohio's economy, the reliability of our electricity grid, the clean air we breathe, and the security of our nation, and as such, urge our elected leaders in Columbus to examine all of the benefits that nuclear power brings to our state, and to consider appropriate action to recognize these benefits to our society;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to our State Senators and State Representatives in the General Assembly and to the Governor of Ohio.