## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF LAPORTE, INDIANA RESOLUTION NO. $-\partial \mathcal{L}$

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FINAL SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the County of LaPorte, Indiana ("Commissioners"), is authorized under Indiana law to exercise the power of eminent domain; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners previously authorized the initiation of a certain cause of action against Mark A. Fickle and Gail E. Fickel, et al. ("Fickels") to condemn and acquire certain real property owned by the Fickels; and

WHEREAS, a cause of action to condemn and acquire said real property by eminent domain is pending before the LaPorte Circuit Court under Cause Number 46C01-0906-PL-219; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner and the Fickels, by and through counsel, have been involved in discussions and negotiations regarding the merits and settlement of the above-referenced cause of action; and

WHEREAS, the parties, by and through counsel, have agreed to certain terms to resolve and settle said cause of action without the need for any further litigation or expense,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by and through the Commissioners, to pay the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) to Mark A. Fickel and Gail E. Fickel to fully settle and finalize the condemnation action currently pending before the LaPorte Circuit Court under the above-cited cause number and to acquire free and clear title to the real property that is the subject of said action.

**ADOPTED and APPROVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the County of LaPorte, Indiana, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2010.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF LAPORTE, INDIANA

By:

Barbara Huston. President

ATTEST

Craig Hinchman, LaPorte County Auditor