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**RESOLUTION # 08-1006-03**

**RESOLUTION DECLARING THE ENDORSEMENT OF THE LIBERTY TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES FOR THE 6/10 OF ONE MILL LEVY PLACED ON THE NOVEMBER 4, 2008 BALLOT BY PRESERVATION PARKS OF DELAWARE COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Park Commissioners of The Preservation Park District of Delaware County finds that without the continuation and increase of a tax levy, the Park District will be unable to continue to preserve wildlife habitat, operate, maintain and improve ten currently owned natural areas and parks, acquire additional land for future parks, construct additional parks, protect the water quality of rivers, lakes, streams and drinking water sources, provide recreational trails, protect forests for improved air quality, protect natural areas from development; provide nature education; and provide monetary assistance for their park and recreation needs to other governmental entities wholly within the boundaries of Delaware County; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees of Liberty Township recognizes the value to the quality of life in Delaware County of the preservation of natural resources and the development of natural area parks for use by all county residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the residents of Liberty Township have benefited from recreational amenities added within the township through funding assistance from the Community Park Improvement Grant program provided by Preservation Parks of Delaware County;

**NOW THEREFORE**, upon the motion of Trustee \_\_\_\_\_, and seconded by Trustee \_\_\_\_\_,

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Trustees of Liberty Township of Delaware County:

1. That it is important to the quality of life within Delaware County and Liberty Township to have open space and natural areas available for relaxation, renewal, and nature observation;
2. That it recognizes that the provision of the above areas is the mission of Preservation Parks of Delaware County;

3. That in order to continue to provide these amenities to the Delaware County community it is necessary for Preservation Parks to levy a tax in the amount of six-tenths (6/10) of a mill on all taxable property in Delaware County, Ohio, for the use of said Park District for the purposes of acquiring, preserving, improving, operating and maintaining land to be used as parks for current and future generations of Delaware County citizens; for operating, maintaining and improving the current properties of Big Run, Blues Creek, Char-Mar Ridge, Deer Haven, Emily Traphagen, Gallant Farm, Gallant Woods, Hogback Ridge, and Ottawa Creek Preserves, and, Big Walnut Community Trail; for preserving sites of historical and geological significance; for protecting the water quality of rivers, lakes, streams, and drinking water sources; for providing hiking and walking trails; for protecting forests to improve air quality; for protecting natural areas from development; and, for continuing and expanding nature education programming and opportunities for all residents.

4. That the Board of Trustees of Liberty Township of Delaware County endorses the 6/10 of one mill levy to support the Preservation Park District of Delaware County, which will appear on the November 4, 2008 general election ballot.

Voting Aye Thereon:

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Voting Nay Thereon:

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_