## TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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At a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2022 with the meeting called to order at 8:00 a.m.

Commissioners Present: Thomas Young, Thomas Bardwell, Kim Vaughan,

Doug DuRussel (virtual), Dan Grimshaw

Commissioners Absent: None

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Grimshaw, seconded by Commissioner Young,

## TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION 2022-18

## RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CONCEPT OF AN INDOOR SPORTS COMPLEX FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE SAGINAW, TUSCOLA, AND GENESEE COUNTY AREA

WHEREAS, a regional sports complex is proposed to be constructed and located in Frankenmuth, Michigan, located in the County of Saginaw. The total cost for the project is estimated at \$35-\$40 million, and

WHEREAS, the project, once completed, will create an operational regional sports complex complete with basketball courts, volleyball courts, soccer fields, and baseball/softball fields. A feasibility study indicates that this project will bring thousands of new visitors to the region and generate over \$6 million in direct economic activity annually, and

WHEREAS, the overall economic impact is expected to increase demand for the hospitality industry in not just Frankenmuth and Saginaw County, but for the entire region from Midland to Flint to Bay City and the Thumb. Estimates indicate that this project will increase the demand for room rentals in the region by 15,000 per year allowing for the expansion of existing facilities and building of new hotels across the area, and

WHEREAS, request has been sent to the State of Michigan to assist in one-time capital costs of up to \$10 million, on the basis the ongoing maintenance of the facility is thereafter sustainable, and

WHEREAS, regional support of a \$10 million capital campaign, combined with support of the Frankenmuth Convention and Visitors Bureau's Board of Directors preparing to finance up to an additional \$15 million for the project, which will be repaid through the revenue generated from the local Frankenmuth hotel bed tax (without increasing taxes).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Tuscola County Board of Commissioners does hereby support the concept of an indoor sports complex, and believes this project will provide a desirable outcome in the form of a healthy and vibrant activity for a broad variety of participants, generating a strong economic ripple effect for hospitality services, including overnight, dining, retail, and personal services, that extend to the general region, including Saginaw, Tuscola and Genesee Counties.

Aves:	Young.	Vaughan,	DuRussel.	Grimshaw,	Bardwell
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Nays: None

Absent: None

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Thomas Bardwell, Chairperson

Tuscola County Board of Commissioners

I, Jodi Fetting, Tuscola County Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of an agreement approved by the Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting on December 1, 2022.

Date (2-7-22

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk, CCO