

OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION

**Resolution Declaring the Necessity of Defending Against or
Initiating Legal Proceedings Before or Against Richfield Township
to Resolve Legal Dispute**

WHEREAS, the Commission is authorized pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Sections 5537.02 through 5537.04 to construct, operate and maintain the Ohio Turnpike System in order to facilitate vehicular traffic throughout the State of Ohio in order to promote the agricultural, commercial, recreational and industrial development of the State;

WHEREAS, the Commission acquired certain property on April 15, 1955 located within the boundaries of Richfield Township and has operated the Boston Maintenance Division from said property;

WHEREAS, the Commission has constructed certain structures and facilities on said property beginning in 1955 and continuing through the present date, said structures are essential to the safe and efficient operation and maintenance of the Ohio Turnpike;

WHEREAS, Richfield Township adopted certain zoning regulations beginning in 1977 after the Commission had constructed and began operating the Boston Maintenance Division;

WHEREAS, the application or enforcement of Richfield Township's zoning regulations may interfere or impede the Commission's ability to operate the Boston Maintenance Division in the manner essential and necessary to maintain certain portions of the Ohio Turnpike in a safe and efficient manner; and

WHEREAS, the Commission, through its general counsel, has attempted and will continue to attempt to resolve a legal dispute with Richfield Township relating to the enforcement of said zoning regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that the general counsel is authorized to take those steps necessary in order to defend against or initiate legal proceedings before or against Richfield Township in order to resolve the dispute.

(Resolution No. 43-2003 adopted September 15, 2003)

I, Gary C. Suhadolnik, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer of the Ohio Turnpike Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the aforesaid resolution which was duly adopted at a meeting of the Commission, duly called for and convened and held on September 15, 2003, at which a quorum was at all times present and voting.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Ohio Turnpike Commission on this 15th day of September, 2003.

Gary C. Suhadolnik
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

