RESOLUTION NO. 2008-2

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION SUBMISSION AND AGREEMENT TO WORK WITH INDIANA 15 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF GIBSON, INDIANA AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL FOR A JOINT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION AND INDIANA OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND RURAL AFFAIRS APPLICATION FOR A FLOOD RECOVERY COORDINATOR AND ADDRESSING RELATED MATTERS

WHEREAS, the County of Gibson, Indiana recognizes the need to stimulate growth, recover from flood disasters, and to maintain a sound economy within its County limits; and

WHEREAS, the County of Gibson, Indiana is not located in a federally designated Economic Development District by the U.S. Economic Development Administration; and

WHEREAS, due to excessive damage to both public and private property as a result of recent flooding, a need for coordination in assessing the damage and developing a recovery strategy is necessary; and

WHEREAS, the County of Gibson, Indiana is eligible for public assistance funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency FEMA; and

WHEREAS, the Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission with offices at 221 E. First Street in Ferdinand, Indiana, established under Indiana Code 36-7-7, is a federally designated Economic Development District covering Crawford, Dubois, Orange, Perry, Pike, and Spencer Counties through the Economic Development Administration and is eligible for Economic Adjustment funds for a flood relief coordinator and the proper applicant.

WHEREAS, the County of Gibson, Indiana now desires to authorize the Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission to prepare and submit an application for grant funding for a flood recovery coordinator to include Gibson County subject to the conditions, herein, and

WHEREAS, the County of Gibson, Indiana desires the involvement and assistance of the Economic Development Coalition of Southwest Indiana in the grant application and review process, and

WHEREAS, the Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission is in the process of negotiating a Cooperation Agreement with the Economic Development Coalition of Southwest Indiana, that would allow the coalition to assist the Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission in the application process and stay involved throughout the grant process on behalf of the County of Gibson, Indiana.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Gibson County, Indiana that:

1. The County is authorizing the Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission to prepare and submit an application for grant funding for a flood recovery coordinator to include Gibson County. Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission is authorized to execute and administer a resultant grant including requisite general administration and project management, contracts and agreements pursuant to regulations of the Economic Development Administration and Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs. Said authorization shall be limited to Phase I of the application (in the anticipated amount of $100,000) covering: 1. Damage assessment; 2. Remedies to correct; 3. Identify potential projects; 4. Establish project priorities. Authorization for Phase II may be given by resolution at a later date.

2. The aforesaid authorization is contingent upon the Economic Development Coalition of Southwest Indiana and Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission agreeing upon a Cooperative Agreement in regard to the role and involvement of each in the application process.

Adopted by the Commissioners of Gibson County, Indiana this 5th day of August, 2008

ATTEST:

Mary Key, Auditor

Commissioners of Gibson County, Indiana

Sherrell Marginet, President

Donald Whitehead, Vice-President

Robert Townsend, Member