

**RESOLUTION 2013-112**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CLARE CITY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION AS A PARTICIPATING PARTNER IN THE PROMISE ZONE INITIATIVE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Promise Zone Initiative is a Federal Program with a stated objective of assisting in the transformation of the most economically depressed regions within the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Government intends to designate five regions as Promise Zone Regions in the United States each year for the next four years, said designations to last for a period of ten years from the date of designation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Counties of Arenac, Clare, Gladwin, Iosco, Ogemaw, and Roscommon qualify and are eligible to apply and compete for said national designation; and

**WHEREAS**, Northern Transformation, which is an organization comprised of and represents the entities of the Eastern Michigan Council of Governments, Prima Civitas, and Michigan Works! Region 7B, which also includes the aforementioned six counties, intends to apply for designation as a Promise Zone Region; and

**WHEREAS**, one of the qualifying and competitive criteria for said application is the designation of Participating Partners, thereby increasing the potential positive regional impact of the Program; and

**WHEREAS**, designation as a Participating Partner within a designated Promise Zone Region provides said Partners an advantage when applying for Federal Aid and Grant assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, there are no costs associated with the Participating Partner designation, therefore designation as a Participating Partner derives a benefit without risk or obligation, which is unquestionably in the best interests of the City while promoting and advancing the objectives of the Federal Program while economically advancing the Promise Zone Region.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Clare hereby direct its City Staff to take the steps and actions required to be designated as a Participating Partner of the Northern Transformation initiative to apply for designation as a Promise Zone Region.

**ALL RESOLUTIONS AND PARTS OF RESOLUTIONS INsofar AS THEY CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS RESOLUTION BE AND THE SAME ARE HEREBY RESCINDED.**

**This Resolution was introduced by Commissioner Jean McConnell and supported by Commissioner Karla Swanson. The Resolution declared adopted by the following roll call vote:**

**YEAS: Bob Bonham, Pat Humphrey, Tom Koch, Jean McConnell, and Karla Swanson.**

**NAYS: None.**

**ABSENT: None.**

**Resolution approved for adoption on this 4th day of November, 2013.**

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**Diane Lyon, City Clerk**