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RESOLUTION NO. 2 - 2013

**FOR ADOPTION OF THE ALLEGHENY RIDGE HERITAGE AREA
MANAGEMENT ACTION PLAN UPDATE**

WHEREAS, the Allegheny Ridge Heritage Area was established by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in 1992 and the Allegheny Ridge Corporation was named as its management entity; and

WHEREAS, the Allegheny Ridge Corporation formally launched the Pittsburgh to Harrisburg Main Line Canal Greenway in 2002 with the signing of a resolution by partners from throughout the 320-mile corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Allegheny Ridge Corporation produced *The Main Line Canal Greenway: Pennsylvania's Millennium Trail* in June 2004 that formalized the action plan for development with input and guidance from hundreds of organizations throughout the corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Main Line Canal Greenway is a mechanism to

- Promote connectivity among existing groups and initiatives across the corridor
- Preserve and promote the corridor's industrial legacy by protecting remaining historical sites and by interpreting each site's significance
- Foster sustainable economic growth
- Facilitate alternative means of movement throughout the corridor such as water and land-based trails
- Conserve our natural resources; and

WHEREAS, to facilitate the most efficient and effective management of the corridor, the Allegheny Ridge Corporation produced *The Allegheny Ridge Heritage Area Management Action Plan Update* in 2006 expanding the heritage area boundaries and project areas through the twelve counties of the Greenway; and

WHEREAS, the Allegheny Ridge Corporation has formed the *Main Line Canal Greenway Alliance* with representation from partner organizations across the corridor to ensure effective communication, prioritization of projects, and coordinated promotion; and

WHEREAS, the County of Dauphin is positioned to benefit from the Allegheny Ridge Heritage Area's enhancement of recreational resources for its citizens and visitors through:

- Creating Value and Generating Economic Activity
- Improving Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation
- Improving Health through Active Living
- Enhancing Cultural Awareness and Community Identity

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Dauphin, Pennsylvania hereby endorses *The Allegheny Ridge Heritage Area Management Action Plan Update* and related project activity in Dauphin County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto affixed our hands and seal this 13th day of February, 2013.

ATTEST:

COUNTY OF DAUPHIN
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



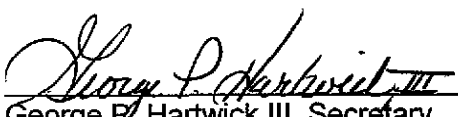
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