RESOLUTION NO. 2024-07

TO THE CASS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS APPROVING THE 2024

FIVE YEAR COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDS)

WHEREAS, the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) requires the submission of a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) to maintain eligibility for EDA grant and loan programs;

WHEREAS, the counties of North Central Indiana (Cass, Clinton, Fulton, Howard, Miami and Tipton) have engaged in a collaborative public planning process to update the region's CEDS;

WHEREAS, the North Central Indiana Regional Planning Council (NCIRPC) CEDS Committee has reviewed the 2024 CEDS and find that it reflects the development needs of North Central Indiana;

WHEREAS, the 2024 CEDS of North Central Indiana shall serve as the regional strategy for the six counties in North Central Indiana with each counties' concurrence;

WHEREAS, the NCIRPC Board of Directors approved the 2024 CEDS on January 9, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the counties of North Central Indiana have engaged the NCIRPC to implement the CEDS and to provide other programs and services necessary for local and regional growth;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commissioners;

- 1. Approve the 2024 CEDS to meet the eligibility requirements for the grant and loan program administered by the U.S. Economic Development Administration; and
- 2. Pledge continued financial support to the NCIRPC.

PASSED AND RESOLIVED by the Board of Commissioners of Cass County, Indiana, this 6^{th} day of May, 2024.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CASS COUNTY, INDIANA:

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ATTEST: