

## Resolution 2025-058

### A Resolution Approving the Application for Grant Applications through the Congressional District Spending Funding Appropriation through Senator Husted's Office

The Board of Trustee of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, met in person in a Regular Meeting at 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 17, 2025, at 2193 Frank Road, Columbus, Ohio. The trustee marked below made a motion for the adoption of the following resolution:

Trustee Fleshman                       Trustee Leezer                       Trustee Blevins

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio approves and authorizes the application for grant funding from the Congressional Direct Spending Funding Appropriation for a boulevard project through Westland Mall property extending from West Broad Street to Georgesville Road.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED;** this application shall be submitted through Ohio Senator John Husted's Office.

**Section 1.** that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to this Resolution were passed in an open meeting of the Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**Section 2.** that this Resolution shall be declared an emergency and be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

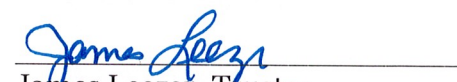
The following trustee marked below seconded the motion:

Trustee Fleshman                       Trustee Leezer                       Trustee Blevins

Roll was called for the adoption of the resolution, and the vote was as follows:

Fleshman:  YES/  NO    Leezer:  YES/  NO    Blevins:  YES/  NO    Excused

  
John Fleshman, Trustee

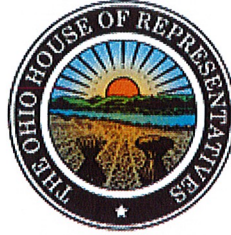
  
James Leezer, Trustee

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Mike Blevins, Trustee

Adopted on April 17, 2025

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**Christine Cockley, MPA**  
State Representative

**6th House District**  
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Franklin, Prairie, and Norwich  
Township, and  
Valleyview

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Technology and Innovation

April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025

The Honorable Jon Husted  
U.S Senate  
SR-198 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Husted,

I am writing to you regarding the Franklin Township Board of Trustee's request for a Community Funded Project to construct a new public boulevard angling across the southwest quadrant of the W. Broad Street & Georgesville Road intersection.

As State Representative for Ohio House District 6, I see the clear benefits this project would bring to our community. Improving infrastructure at this busy and dangerous intersection would enhance safety and mobility for residents, addressing critical transportation challenges in the area. Broad Street is one of Ohio's most hazardous roads, with a high rate of fatal crashes, serious injuries, and pedestrian accidents. A new road here would make the area safer and more accessible for everyone.

This project also aligns with ongoing regional transportation initiatives, like the West Broad Street Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) under LinkUS, and would improve multimodal options, including bike lanes, pedestrian paths, and connections to other COTA bus routes.

In addition, this new infrastructure could help spur economic growth around the former Westland Mall site, creating new jobs, housing, and community services that would benefit Columbus' West Side.

I respectfully urge that you give fair and full consideration regarding Congressionally Directed Spending to help bring this much-needed project to completion.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christine Cockley".

Christine Cockley, MPA  
State Representative  
Ohio's 6<sup>th</sup> House District