

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-26

**A RESOLUTION COMMENDING NEIL SOMMERS  
FOR HIS OUTSTANDING SERVICE, DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT TO THE  
LORAIN PORT AND FINANCE AUTHORITY.**

**WHEREAS**, Neil Sommers was originally appointed as a member of the Board of Directors on September 13, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, as a member of the Port Authority Board of Directors, Neil has faithfully and dutifully served the citizens of Lorain with distinction and honor through October 2, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, Neil always represented a position of common sense, cooperation, and concern for the public interest in his contemplation and in his capacity as a member of the Board of Directors; and

**WHEREAS**, Neil long served as Chairman of the Bylaws & Personnel Committee, as well as Vice Chairman of the Financial Planning & Audit Committee and member of the Strategic Development Plan Committee and was a conscientious advocate for public monies, the board of directors, and the port's mission; and

**WHEREAS**, Neil strived throughout the years to promote financial efficiency, fiscal responsibility, and sound planning for the Agency; and

**WHEREAS**, Neil used his talents, experience, and connections to constantly market and promote the port authority, programs, and its public spaces; and

**WHEREAS**, Neil was a consummate professional who could always be counted on for support, participation, a kind word, and a friendly smile; and

**WHEREAS**, Neil's contributions, participation and camaraderie will be sorely missed by his colleagues on the Board.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Lorain Port and Finance Authority:

**SECTION I.** That the Board of Directors of the Lorain Port and Finance Authority commend and offer grateful and sincere appreciation to Neil Sommers for his dedication, personal commitment, and service to the Lorain Port and Finance Authority and City of Lorain.

**SECTION II.** That this Resolution be inserted as a permanent part of the record of the Lorain Port and Finance Authority as an official copy of same to be presented to Neil Sommers' family as a token of esteem, an expression of respect, and a salute to his past accomplishments.

**SECTION III.** It is found and determined that all formal proceedings and actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22, of the Ohio Revised Code.

Ayes: 9

Nays: 0


Abstain: 0

Adopted: 11/08/2022

  
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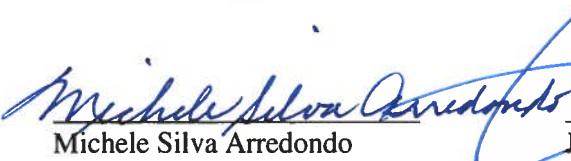
  
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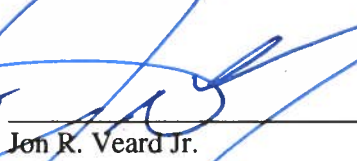
  
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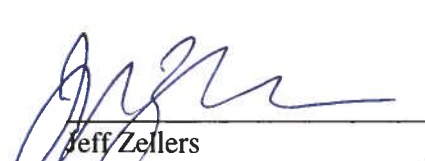
  
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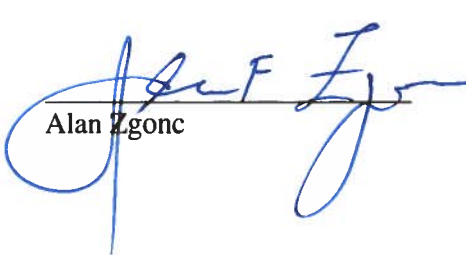
  
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