

**Review of Petition to Annex 10.4 +/- acres from Norwich Township to the city of Hilliard by Thomas L. Hart, Esq. Case #ANX-EXP2-06-13 (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING)**

**WHEREAS**, the Commissioners of Franklin County, State of Ohio, proceeded to journalize the petition that Thomas L. Hart, Esq. filed on behalf of Darby Oaks Family Farms, LLC on February 4, 2013 and solicited to and/or been heard by all persons desiring to be reviewed for or against the granting of the Expedited Type 2 petition, and having considered all the facts with reference thereto, being fully advised, and

**WHEREAS**, the Commissioners make the following findings based upon the exhibits and testimony presented at the review of this matter:

1. The petition does meet all the requirements set forth in, and was filed in the manner provided in, section 709.021 of the Revised Code.
2. The persons who signed the petition are owners of the real estate located in the territory proposed for annexation and constitute all of the owners of real estate in that territory.
3. The territory proposed for annexation does not exceed five hundred acres.
4. The territory proposed for annexation shares a contiguous boundary with the municipal corporation to which annexation is proposed for a continuous length of at least five percent of the perimeter of the territory proposed for annexation.
5. The annexation will not create an unincorporated area of the township that is completely surrounded by the territory proposed for annexation.
6. The municipal corporation to which annexation is proposed has agreed to provide to the territory proposed for annexation the services specified in the relevant service ordinance #13-R-17, passed on February 25, 2013 by the city of Hilliard.

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO:

That, in accordance with the findings made in the preamble, which are incorporated herein, the prayer of the Petition be *approved*, and the territory sought to be annexed by the petition filed herein *shall* be annexed to the city of Hilliard, Ohio, in accordance with the law; that the orders and proceedings of this board relating to the Petition, and map and description attached thereto, and all papers on file relating to this matter be delivered forthwith to the Clerk of Council, city of Hilliard, Ohio.

Prepared by: R. Lee Brown

C: Economic Development & Planning Department