

**Resolution, based on the advice and notification of the Columbus Zoological Park Association, to submit the question of a levy for the provision and maintenance of zoological park services and facilities to the electors of Franklin County at the November 3, 2015 election.
(Commissioners)**

WHEREAS, Franklin County is currently levying a three-fourths (0.75) of a mill ten-year levy approved by the voters of the County on November 2, 2004 (the "2004 Levy"), commenced in 2005, and first collected in 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Columbus Zoological Park Association (the "Zoo") has advised and notified the Board of County Commissioners that the normal and customary percentage of the total General Fund appropriations within the ten-mill limitation for the provision and maintenance of zoological park services and facilities is insufficient, beginning January 2016 and thereafter, to provide an adequate amount of support of such zoological park services and facilities; and

WHEREAS, based upon the Zoo's request, the Board wishes to submit to the electors of the County on the November 3, 2015 ballot the question of a renewal tax levy for the provision and maintenance of zoological park services and facilities at a rate not exceeding three-fourths (0.75) of a mill to be in effect for a period of ten years beginning with the property taxes for 2015, to be first collected in 2016; now, therefore,

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

1. That the Board of Commissioners of Franklin County, Ohio, with two-thirds of all members elected thereto concurring, having been advised and notified by the Zoo as to its needs for the provision and maintenance of zoological park services and facilities, declares that the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation for the benefit of Franklin County, Ohio will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for zoological park services and facilities as authorized in Ohio Revised Code § 307.76.
2. Based on the advice and notification by the Zoo and at its request, it is determined necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation for the benefit of Franklin County, Ohio, for the provision and maintenance of zoological park services and facilities pursuant to

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Ohio Revised Code § 5705.19(Z), with said levy to be at a rate not exceeding three-fourths (.75) of a mill.

3. That the necessary levy of three-fourths (0.75) of a mill for each dollar (\$1.00) of valuation, which amounts to seven and one-half cents (\$0.075) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, be in effect for a period of ten (10) years, to be placed on the tax list and duplicate of the current year and first collected in 2016, this levy being a renewal of an existing three-fourths of a mill (0.75) levy; and that the question of levying said renewal tax be submitted to the electorate of Franklin County, Ohio, at the election to be held on November 3, 2015 as provided in Chapter 5705 of the Ohio Revised Code.
4. That the form of the ballot cast at such election shall be as set forth below or in a substantially similar form, as approved by the Franklin County Board of Elections and/or the Secretary of State:

PROPOSED TAX LEVY
(RENEWAL)

COLUMBUS ZOOLOGICAL PARK

A Majority Affirmative Vote Is Necessary for Passage

A renewal of an existing tax levy, to constitute a tax in the same amount for the benefit of Franklin County for the purpose of providing funds for **THE PROVISION AND MAINTENANCE OF ZOOLOGICAL PARK SERVICES AND FACILITIES**, at a rate not exceeding 0.75 mills for each dollar of valuation, which amounts to \$0.075 for each one hundred dollars in valuation, for a ten-year term, commencing in 2015, first due in calendar year 2016.

**FOR
THE TAX LEVY**

**AGAINST
THE TAX LEVY**

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5. That the Clerk of this Board be and hereby is directed to transmit a certified copy of this Resolution, the Auditor's Certificate of Estimated Property Tax Revenue, and Resolution No. 504-15 to the Board of Elections of Franklin County, Ohio, which Board shall make the necessary arrangements for the submission of such question to the electors of this County at the general election to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2015, as provided by law.
6. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and related to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board that resulted in such formal actions were made in meetings open to the public, when required by law, in full compliance with all legal requirements, including, without limitation, provisions of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.