Resolution authorizing a Career Oriented Continuing Education and Placement Training Grant agreement with PerScholas to provide workforce training and job placement as part of their commitment to expand their operations within Franklin County. (Economic Development & Planning) (\$300,000)

WHEREAS, the County desires to develop and promote plans, programs, and financing strategies to assure that economic growth is properly balanced and coordinated with that of the State of Ohio, the federal government and other local governmental entities; and

WHEREAS, PerScholas has been operating within Franklin County at its location at 112 Jefferson Avenue, Columbus, OH 43215 within Franklin County, where it has trained and place over 200 low income Franklin County residents into employment since 2013; and

WHEREAS, PerScholas's has committed to expanding its operations within Franklin County by doubling the number of available seats in its training program; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Section 307.07 B (5) of the Ohio Revised Code, the County desires to provide employment and training opportunities benefitting the residents of Franklin County and to support PerScholas by offering a Career Oriented Continuing Education and Placement Training Grant (CONCEPTG) pursuant to the terms outlined in the attached Grant Agreement;

WHEREAS, the CONCEPTG is a reimbursable grant for the placement of 50 trainees into employment by PerScholas over a one (1) year period beginning January 1^{st} , 2016 through December 31^{st} , 2016; now, therefore,

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

- 1. That a CONCEPTG Agreement between Connect Ohio Initiatives LLC and the Franklin County Board of Commissioners for the period of January 1st, 2016 through December 31st, 2016 is hereby approved.
- 2. That the County Administrator may, upon written notice provided to the Board of Commissioners, execute up to two additional one year options upon demonstration that PerScholas has met all conditions of the Agreement during the grant reporting periods (i.e., a minimum of 50 jobs have been created each year). Option year 1

shall be from the period of January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017; and option year 2 shall be from the period of January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018.

3. That if both option years are granted, the Grantee shall be eligible to receive a sum not to exceed \$300,000.00 (three hundred thousand dollars and no cents).

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