THE SUMMIT AND MEDINA WORKFORCE AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS FOR OHIO LOCAL WORKFORCE AREA 2 RESOLUTION 2017-33

A Resolution authorizing the Summit and Medina Workforce Area Council of Governments to enter into a Subgrant Agreement with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services for the purpose of receiving a grant from the U.S. Department of Labor's Workforce Innovation Fund, awarded to pilot a Wage Pathways program in Summit County during the period commencing 8/21/2017 and ending 6/30/2019.

WHEREAS, in response to a proposal submitted on 7/22/2015 by the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (the "ODJFS"), the United States Department of Labor (the "DOL") awarded a Workforce Innovation Fund (the "WIF") grant to ODJFS on 9/26/2015 to pilot a Wage Pathways (the "Project") service delivery model during the period beginning 10/1/2015 and ending 9/30/2019;

WHEREAS, the proposal submitted by ODJFS to the DOL on 7/22/2015 included Ohio Local Workforce Area 2, specifically Summit County, as one of the Areas in the State of Ohio that will pilot the Project;

WHEREAS, on 9/28/2015, Area 2 received notice that ODJFS was awarded a total of \$6,000,000.00 in DOL WIF grant funds which, in correspondence dated 10/25/2015, included a distribution of funds to Local Workforce Areas 2 and 3;

WHEREAS, on 03/08/2017, Area 2 was informed by ODJFS that Areas 7 and 19, specifically Ottawa and Ashtabula Counties, were added to the pilot Project, thereby reducing Area 2's WIF award and resulted in the request by ODJFS to have Area 2 submit a revised budget;

WHEREAS, on 7/19/2017, Area 2's revised budget was accepted by ODJFS and, on 9/7/2017, Area 2 received its Subgrant Agreement (the "Agreement") with ODJFS totaling \$849,016.00 for the period commencing 8/21/2017 and ending 6/30/2019;

WHEREAS, the Agreement identifies the Summit and Medina County Workforce Area Council of Governments (the "SAMWA COG") as the Subgrantee of the WIF grant;

WHEREAS, the SAMWA COG's Board has as its members Area 2's Chief Local Elected Officials who will execute the Agreement with ODJFS for the reception of the WIF grant, allocated in the amounts of \$395,402.00 for the period commencing 8/21/2017 and ending 6/30/2018 and \$453,614.00 for the period commencing 7/1/2018 and ending 6/30/2019;

WHEREAS, the SAMWA COG recognizes that the County of Summit Department of Job and Family Services will serve as Area 2's Fiscal Agent for the reception of the WIF grant award and as the provider of Project services; and

WHERAS, the SAMWA COG finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information, that it is necessary and in the best interest of Area 2 to authorize the execution of the Agreement with ODJFS to receive Area 2's WIF award for the period commencing 8/21/2017 and ending 6/30/2019;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the SAMWA COG that:

SECTION 1

The SAMWA COG hereby authorizes the execution of the Subgrant Agreement with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, attached hereto as Exhibit A, to receive the United States Department of Labor's Workforce Innovation Fund grant for the period commencing 8/21/2017 and ending to 6/30/2019, allocated to the SAMWA COG to pilot the Wage Pathways service delivery model in Ohio Local Workforce Area 2, specifically in Summit County.

SECTION 2

The SAMWA COG Board hereby accepts the following award distribution schedule:

BUDGET YEAR	PERIOD	WIF GRANT AWARD AMOUNT
2018	8/21/2017 to 6/30/2018	\$395,402.00
2019	7/1/2018 to 6/30/2019	\$453,614.00
AREA 2'S TOTAL WIF GRANT AWARD:		\$849,016.00

SECTION 3

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Ayes: Nays: Abstain: Absent:

ADOPTED, this 2nd day of October, 2017.

Summit County Executive

Medina County Commissioner