## 17-10-03

## Resolution

## in Support of the Yellow Springs Clifton Connector Trail

WHEREAS, "The Yellow Springs Clifton Connector Trail" is a bicycle and recreational trail envisioned by a group of local leaders, including Village officials from Yellow Springs and Clifton, Greene County Regional Planning, Rails-To-Trails Conservancy, Miami Township, and Greene County Parks & Trails; and

WHEREAS, the proposed trail will connect the Village of Yellow Springs to the Village of Clifton along a route that would be in close proximity to the Clifton Gorge State Nature Preserve, John Bryan State Park, Boy Scouts of America Camp Hugh Taylor Birch, and Glen Helen Nature preserve; and

WHEREAS, the proposed "Yellow Springs Clifton Connector Trail" aligns with The Village of Clifton's longterm policy goals of promoting quality of life and livability in and around the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Clifton is a historic village on the scenic Little Miami River; and

WHEREAS, 2017 has been designated Ohio's "Year of the Trail" in the State legislature's House Resolution 105, and supporting resolutions have subsequently been adopted by Greene County Board of Commissioners, as well as by the Village of Yellow Springs and the Village of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, more than one million individuals as both local residents and visitors utilize Greene County's growing paved trails network; and

WHEREAS, countless individuals and families visit the Clifton Gorge State Nature Preserve, John Bryan State Park, Boy Scouts of America Camp Hugh Taylor Birch, the Glen Helen Nature Preserve, as well as the unique tourism destinations and events within the Villages of Clifton and Yellow Springs; and

WHEREAS, recreational trails revitalize and invigorate communities and help support economic development and growth; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of the health, safety, and wellbeing of the general public within and surrounding our community, including that of visitors, the proposed "Yellow Springs Clifton Connector Trail" represents a valuable asset and legacy for generations to come; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The Village Council of Clifton does hereby proclaim it's full support of the "Yellow Springs Clifton Connector Trail" and will facilitate the process of its engineering, design, and construction in all ways possible.

Date: October 9, 2017 Mayor Mayor Mayor Clerk-Treasurer