



RESOLUTION 2026 – 654

TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS AND AGREEMENTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF 96 ACRES IN HARLEM AND GENOA TOWNSHIPS

WHEREAS, the Board of Park Commissioners (the “Board”) of the Preservation Park District of Delaware County (the “District”) finds it desirable and in the District’s best interest to acquire parcel numbers 31623002007000, 31623002008000, 31714001059000, and 31714001058000, consisting of approximately 86 acres, more or less, in Harlem and Genoa Townships, Delaware County, Ohio, from the Overbrook Presbyterian Church of Columbus, Ohio; and,

WHEREAS, the District will purchase the Property under the terms and conditions of the purchase agreement for a price of \$3,345,000.00 plus closing costs; and,

WHEREAS, the Property provides critical watershed protection for Big Walnut Creek and the Hoover reservoir, protects high-quality native habitat, and preserves unique geological features; and,

WHEREAS, funds are available for appropriation in the official certificate of estimated resources established in compliance with ORC 5705.35 and will be appropriated and encumbered in the 2027 budget,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director is hereby authorized to execute all documents required relating to the purchase of the Property, including but not limited to a purchase agreement, any and all closing documents and escrow documents contemplated thereby, a license agreement for recreational use, and that any actions taken by the Executive Director prior to the date of this resolution regarding the foregoing are within the authority conferred to the Executive Director hereunder and are hereby ratified.

Adopted this 13rd day of August 2026

BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
The Preservation Park District
of Delaware County


Glenn Marzluf, Chair, Park Commissioner


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Certified by: 
Mary Van Haaften, Executive Director