

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE NORTH CENTRAL INDIANA 2000
COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY AND
SUPPORTING THE CREATION OF THE NORTH CENTRAL REGIONAL
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Wabash, Indiana (hereinafter referred to as "the Board") recognizes that Wabash County is only one of six counties that compose a regional labor market area and economy that is commonly referred to as North Central Indiana, and

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WHEREAS, important economic and community development related issues frequently transcend county lines requiring multi-jurisdictional approaches and solutions, and

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WHEREAS, the Board recognizes the time and effort of the members of the North Central Indiana Regional Strategy Committee to develop a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy intended to address regional development issues and regional communication, and

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WHEREAS, the Board recognizes the need for a formal regional entity to continue the economic development planning, implementation, and coordination of the North Central Indiana Regional Strategy Committee, and

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WHEREAS, a regional strategy and economic development entity approved by the United States Economic Development Administration (EDA) could directly benefit Wabash County and the region as a whole by: coordinating regional economic concerns and solutions with State or Federal agencies and may qualify the region for grant assistance from the EDA and/or other federal sources.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Wabash, Indiana hereby approves the North Central Indiana 2000 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy attached hereto as Exhibit A, and;

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board supports the creation and designation of the North Central Regional Economic Development Council as an Economic Development Administration approved Economic Development District.

Approved by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Wabash this 7th day of May 2001.

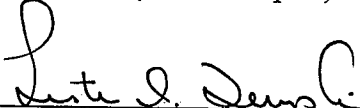
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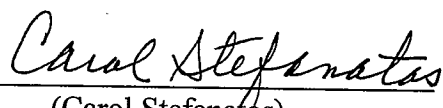
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