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**State Workforce Innovation Council
Indiana's State Workforce Investment Board
Resolution regarding the Youth Committee
January 21, 2016**

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (the Act), Section 101, and Indiana Code 22-4-18.1-3, the State Workforce Innovation Council (SWIC) is established to accomplish certain enumerated functions; and

WHEREAS, the Act, which took effect July 1, 2015, is meant to strengthen the United States workforce development system through innovation in, and alignment and improvement of, employment, training, and education programs in the United States, and to promote individual and national economic growth, and for other purposes; and

WHEREAS, among the enumerated functions in the Act, the SWIC is charged with developing various strategies, policies and best practices to improve the workforce development system in the State, including with regard to youth; and

WHEREAS, under WIOA, youth funding has shifted to 75% out of school and 25% in school and new program elements have been added; and

WHEREAS, the SWIC passed a resolution to create a Youth Council Taskforce on July 23, 2015; and

WHEREAS, given the changes under WIOA in the youth arena, it will take time to assess whether new service strategies are working, thus there is a need for a standing committee on youth.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED that the SWIC creates the Youth Committee, which shall perform the duties outlined below and shall engage non-board members to participate:

- Develop opportunities for youth to improve academic and employability skill competencies through activities such as mentoring, training, community service, and work & learn experiences;
- Provide guidance on incorporating into youth-serving programs career pathways connected to sectors and occupations based on employer driven demand;
- Offer strategies and best practices for ongoing collaboration among employers, community partners, local and statewide stakeholders; and
- Identify strategies to serve WIOA eligible youth in achieving academic and employment success.



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IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Youth Committee shall provide regular reports detailing their activities to the SWIC at the SWIC meetings.

State Workforce Innovation Council:

Paul Perkins, Chairman

Date

Attest:

Steve Braun, Commissioner

Date