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RESOLUTION 15-21

A RESOLUTION IDENTIFYING A REGION FOR THE CREATION OF A REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (RDP) AND PARTICIPATION IN THE INDIANA REGIONAL ECONOMIC ACCELERATION AND DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE (READI)

WHEREAS, the state of Indiana, through its Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) launched the Regional Economic Acceleration and Development Initiative (READI); and

WHEREAS, House Enrolled Act No. 1001, of the 2021 Session of the Indiana General Assembly provided \$500 million in state appropriations to promote strategic investments that will make Indiana a magnet for talent and economic growth; and

WHEREAS, the READI program guidelines call for Indiana communities (counties, cities and towns) to identify their regions, coordinating organization and notify the IEDC by July 1, 2021 of their intent to seek implementation funding up to \$50 million for each region; and

WHEREAS, the IEDC will make available up to \$50,000 for a planning grant to assist in the creation of a Regional Development Plan (RDP) for submission to the IEDC by August 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, both the planning and implementation phases of READI require matching funds from the private sector and local community; and

WHEREAS, the READI program guidelines discourage more than one RDP from the same region and the guidelines state, "overlap between regions could indicate a lack of regional collaboration;" and

WHEREAS, support from local government elected officials of the East Central Indiana Regional Partnership area (www.forgeeci.com) are important in the creation of the RDP and critical for its subsequent execution; and

WHEREAS, the East Central Indiana 21st Century Talent Region Designation's application, data and relationships will provide the framework for the creation of the RDP; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: The Common Council of the City of Muncie determine that the City of Muncie shall join the East Central Indiana Forge Your Path READI Regional effort as described herein.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Common Council and its approval by the Mayor of the City of Muncie.

Passed by the Common Council of the City of Muncie, Indiana, this 14 day of June, 2021.

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Belinda Munson, City Clerk				
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