RESOLUTION NO. 007-2015

A RESOLUTION OF THE FINDLAY CITY COUNCIL SUPPORTING THE DESIGNATION OF THE BLANCHARD RIVER FROM BLANCHARD RIVER NATURE PRESERVE TO BLANCHARD LANDING AS A STATE WATER TRAIL THROUGH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF WATERCRAFT.

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio through the Department of Natural Resources Division of Watercraft administers the Water Trails program, and

WHEREAS, the Hancock Park District promotes canoeing and kayaking, provides canoes, kayaks, and pedal boats for rent at Zonta Landing, and provides structured and unstructured river recreation opportunities, and

WHEREAS, the Hancock Park District strives to increase awareness, interest, and participation in canoeing and kayaking on the Blanchard River from Blanchard River Nature Preserve to Blanchard Landing from April through June when the water level is most reliable and at other times throughout the year when conditions are favorable along various sections of the river and when sufficient rainfall improves navigability during times when the Blanchard River's water level is typically too low to support canoeing and kayaking, and

WHEREAS, the Hancock Park District and community volunteers are committed to routine river clean-up events throughout the year and on an annual basis that will benefit the environment, outdoor recreation enthusiasts, adjacent landowners, and the community as a whole, and

WHEREAS, the Blanchard River traverses the City of Findlay,

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved by the Findlay City Council as follows:

1. The Findlay City Council supports the Hancock Park District's filing of an application for the Blanchard River from Blanchard River Nature Preserve to Blanchard Landing to become a State Designated Water Trail.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

PASSED <u>February 3, 2015</u>

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APPROVED February 3, 2015

Findlay City Council

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CERTIFICATE OF RECORDING OFFICER

I the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the Findlay City Council on the 3rd day of February, 2015, and that I am duly authorized to execute this certificate.

(Original Signature)

Clerk of Council (Title)