RESOLUTION NO. 010-2014

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF THE ADMINISTRATION, THE FINDLAY MUNICIPAL COURT AND AREA NON-PROFIT AGENCIES INVESTIGATING THE EFFICIENCIES AND POSSIBLE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVE SENTENCING CENTER (CASC) IN THE CITY OF FINDLAY.

WHEREAS, the City of Findlay does not currently own nor does it operate a municipal jail or workhouse facility, and;

WHEREAS, recent reforms to the state penal code have placed a heavy burden on local jurisdictions to house more inmates locally and that burden is expected to increase in the future, and;

WHEREAS, the Hancock County Jail regularly operates at or above full capacity and as a result thereof inmate commitments issued through the Findlay Municipal Court are regularly refused due to overcrowded conditions and:

WHEREAS, the cost of incarceration has recently increased by more than Fifty-two percent (52%), and;

WHEREAS, a community alternative sentencing center (CASC) would allow the Findlay Municipal Court to sentence certain defendants directly to it at a significant cost savings to the city while providing needed services to said defendants through established non-profit agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Findlay, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That Findlay City Council supports the efforts of the administration, the Findlay Municipal Court and area non-profit agencies investigating the efficiencies and possible establishment of a community alternative sentencing center (CASC) in the City of Findlay.

SECTION 2: That this Resolution shall take effect at the earliest time permitted by law.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

MAYOR

PASSED February 18,2014

ATTEST_ Verise Ne Vore

CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED February 18, 2014