

**St Clair County Board of Commissioners**  
**Resolution 2020-42**  
**Michigan Lighthouse Assistance Program (MLAP) Grant Application**

**Whereas**, the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners adopted Resolution 20-32 regarding the MLAP Grant Application on November 5, 2020; and

**Whereas**, the Park and Recreation Commission has requested the prior Resolution be rescinded and the amended Resolution be adopted; and

**Whereas**, St. Clair County owns the Fort Gratiot Light Station and has worked diligently to maintain and renovate the buildings and grounds as funding allows; and

**Whereas**, St. Clair County partnered with the City of Port Huron to successfully complete a Federal Save Americas Treasures grant to restore the lighthouse; and

**Whereas**, St. Clair County has successfully completed a Michigan Lighthouse Assistance Program grant to replace the Equipment Building roof and repair and repaint the Fog Signal Building roof and doors; and

**Whereas**, St. Clair County has also completed a Coastal Zone Management grant to install ADA walkways and interpretive panels at the Light Station; and

**Whereas**, St. Clair County Parks and Recreation has partnered with the Port Huron Museum to provide tours and programs at the Light Station and has hosted over 182,000 visitors since the site was re-opened to the public on May 19, 2012; and

**Whereas**, the Friends of the Fort Gratiot Light have pledged to assist with the required local match and are willing to provide volunteer labor;

**Whereas**, the County Parks and Recreation Commission has passed resolution PARC 2020-02 recommending that St. Clair County apply for a second MLAP grant to repair and restore lighthouse lantern room and watch room as identified by the Historic Structures Report (HSR); and

**Now Therefore Be It Resolved**, that the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners authorizes the submission of an application to the Michigan Lighthouse Assistance Program for a \$25,000 grant project to restore the lighthouse lantern room and the watch room as outlined in the HSR;


**Be It Further Resolved**, that the St. Clair County Parks and Recreation Commission pledges \$8,333 in County Parks and Recreation millage funds from its 2021 budget as the local match and is prepared to contract for the identified work in compliance with the MLAP grant requirements and the provisions of the National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act of 2000.

Be It Further Resolved that this Resolution replaces Resolution 20-32 and Resolution 20-32 is rescinded.

**DATED: November 19, 2020**

Reviewed and Approved As To Form By:

  
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