RESOLUTION 2017-51

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRICKS COUNTY, INDIANA ESTABLISHING AND ADOPTING A CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY

WHEREAS, Hendricks County, Indiana, recognizes the importance of eliminating conflicts of interest in the conduct of County business;

WHEREAS, Conflicts of interest are not only against state and federal regulations but are detrimental to the County's good reputation and the public's confidence in County government;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners also recognizes the value of collaboration that occurs at special events and functions such as conferences, dinners, and social outings in which Hendricks County officials and employees may be guests of one (1) or more vendors that do business with the County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desires to fulfill both the letter and spirit of federal and state regulations addressing conflicts of interest, and desires to establish a dollar threshold of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) per occurrence, below which any financial interest or value of any gratuity is not substantial, or the gift is an unsolicited item of nominal value.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRICKS COUNTY, INDIANA THAT:

- 1. The dollar value of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) per occurrence, below which any financial interest or value of any gratuity is not substantial and may be accepted per this policy.
- 2. The Board of Commissioners of Hendricks County, Indiana, establishes and adopts the Conflict of Interest Policy, which is attached to and made part of this Resolution.
- 3. This policy shall be effective upon signing by the Board of Commissioners.

APPROVED this 14th day of November, 2017.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRICKS COUNTY, INDIANA

Marthew D. Whetstone, President

Phyllis A. Palmer, Vice President

Bob Gentry, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Nancy L. Marsh, Auditor

HENDRICKS COUNTY, INDIANA CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY

The following paragraphs apply to all public officials and employees of Hendricks County, Indiana.

No officers or employees of the County shall neither solicit nor accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from Consultants, potential Consultants, or parties to subagreements, unless in accordance with this Conflict of Interest Policy. For purposes of Indiana Department of Transportation Policy and the Code of Federal Regulations, Hendricks County establishes a dollar value threshold of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) per occurrence. Any financial interest under Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) shall be considered not substantial in accordance with the above-mentioned Code of Federal Regulations.

This policy conforms to the standards set forth in the Code of Federal Regulations and by the Indiana Department of Transportation. A "Consultant" is defined as an individual or firm providing engineering and design related services as a party to a contract with a recipient or subrecipient of federal assistance.