

## **RESOLUTION No. 18-03**

## A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE BARRINGTON REGIONAL GREENWAY INITIATIVE OF CITIZENS FOR CONSERVATION

WHEREAS, Citizens for Conservation (CFC) is a Barrington-area nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation and restoration of the beauty and biodiversity of the natural environment; and

WHEREAS, CFC's work for five decades has produced healthier ecosystems within and adjacent to the communities of the Barrington Area Council of Governments; and

WHEREAS, CFC has introduced a forward-looking conservation effort called the Barrington Regional Greenway Initiative (BGI) to create unbroken, interconnected habitat corridors across 14,000 acres of prairies, wetlands, and woodlands, to reintroduce priority native plants and wildlife, to increase biodiversity, and to strengthen ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, CFC and the BGI are partnering with other conservation groups including Lake County Forest Preserve District, Forest Preserves of Cook County, Audubon Great Lakes, Friends of the Forest Preserves, and Bobolink Foundation, all of which will work collaboratively for greater impact; and

WHEREAS, the BGI will help nature deliver benefits to the BACOG region including cleaner air and water, erosion and flooding control, and protection of open space and groundwater recharge areas; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan of BACOG fully supports the purpose and environmental goals of the Barrington Regional Greenway Initiative;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Executive Board of the Barrington Area Council of Governments supports and endorses the Barrington Regional Greenway Initiative of Citizens for Conservation, and, further, encourages the municipal and township members of BACOG to incorporate support for the initiative in their comprehensive plans.

THIS RESOLUTION is passed this 27 day of February 2018 by the Executive Board of BACOG:

David R. Parro, President, Village of Tower Lakes
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