

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY: Your County Personnel and Human Services Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Berrien County Parks acquired land from Dale and Johanna Simpson in 2015 which was adjacent to and incorporated into the Love Creek County Park property; and

WHEREAS, the land includes a small hunting cabin, affectionally called the "Simpson Cabin" by Park Staff, that has stood locked up and vacant since the land acquisition; and

WHEREAS, remodeling this cabin to repurpose it into a usable public space is a priority outlined in the 2020-2024 Berrien County Parks & Recreation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Parks Department received a generous donation from the Bitzer Family Fund in the amount of \$40,000; and

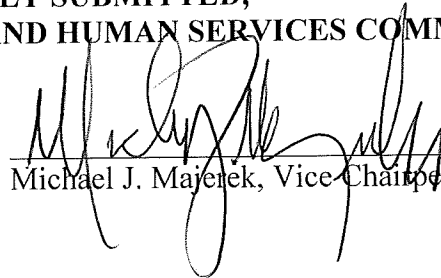
WHEREAS, the donor requested that the funds be used for renovation of the Simpson Cabin to honor Kip Miller, the retired Chief Naturalist who served over 35 years with Berrien County Parks.

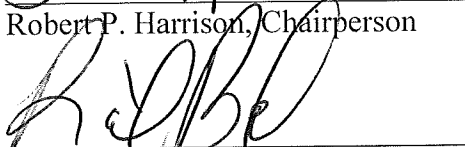
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Berrien County Board of Commissioners approves the acceptance of the donaton of \$40,000 and directs the Parks Department to work with the Financial Services Department to properly deposit and expend the donated funds in accordance with applicable polices and procedures.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parks Department will seek prior parent committee approval before expending the donated funds.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
BERRIEN COUNTY PERSONNEL AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**


Robert P. Harrison, Chairperson


Michael J. Majetek, Vice Chairperson


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RESOLUTION APPROVED AS TO FORM	
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